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## East Germany Shifts Priority Away From Ties With Bonn

By Henry Tanner  
*International Herald Tribune*

DRESDEN, East Germany — East German officials, accusing the West German government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl of having tried to drive a wedge between them and the Soviet Union, no longer regard improvement of relations between the two Germanys as their immediate priority.

In a tactical and perhaps temporary departure from policies pursued through 1983 and most of 1984, they no longer hold that an inner-German dialogue is essential to prevent superpower tensions from coming to a head in Central Europe.

Instead they seem to have decided not to take further initiatives toward Bonn at least until the first results of next year's Soviet-American negotiations become evident.

These were among the points that emerged from a conversation with Hans Modrow, the party secretary of the ruling Socialist Unity (Communist) Party for the Dresden district, at his office here last week.

Mr. Modrow, 56, is one of the most prominent figures in the younger generation of East Ger-



Hans Modrow

man leaders surrounding Erich Honecker, 72, the chief of state.

Mr. Modrow made it clear that the views he expressed reflected those of the central government in East Berlin and of Mr. Honecker.

He indicated that East Germany's immediate objective now was to improve relations with major Western European countries, especially France, Italy and Belgium, and not just with West Germany.

He asserted that Mr. Kohl's government had hardened its overall policy toward Eastern Europe and that close cooperation between the two Germanys was not possible if Bonn let its relations with the Soviet Union, Poland and other Communist countries deteriorate.

Many West German politicians and some officials had fundamentally misjudged Mr. Honecker's desire for improved inner-German relations and "jumped to the false conclusion that they could separate us from the Soviet Union," said.

"We felt we had become the target of a deliberate attempt to drive a wedge between us and Moscow," he said.

He cited public statements by leading West German officials that the question of German reunification must remain open. He noted

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## EC Deputies Reject Budget For New Year, Causing Crisis

*Reuters*

STRASBOURG — The European Parliament on Thursday rejected the European Community's budget for the second time in its history, worsening the EC's financial uncertainty.

The parliament voted overwhelmingly to throw out the 1985 budget, forcing the 10-nation EC to adopt an emergency financing system beginning Jan. 1.

In its resolution, the Parliament said the budget of 26 billion European Currency Units (\$19 billion) submitted by the national governments was unacceptable because it would not be enough to cover 12 months' expenditure.

The Parliament called for retaliatory trade measures against the United States for its decision to limit imports of EC steel pipes and tubes. The Associated Press reported. The resolution condemned the cuts and urged the community to apply immediately "all compensatory provisions" of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

In the budget debate, only a few British Conservative and Danish members spoke against rejection. All main political groups had declared their intention to support the move.

The Council of Ministers has rejected the Parliament's demands that it add 1.5 billion ECU to the budget total to meet a predicted shortfall in revenues for farm subsidies. The council, representing the national governments, has said it cannot do this because the group's existing revenue base is exhausted and the 10 have not agreed when their financial contributions to the community will be increased.

The council's current Irish presidency has said that the council will decide by next October how to fill any cash gap, but members of the Parliament argue that this formula is inadequate and violates the principle that a budget must cover a 12-month period.

The European Parliament last rejected the EC budget in December 1979, finally passing a new version in July 1980.

### U.S. Curtis Condemned

The Common Market trade commissioner, Karl-Heinz Narjes, called the U.S. curbs on imports of EC steel pipes and tubes "legally unacceptable and politically regrettable" and said it posed the danger of an "open trade conflict," the Associated Press reported.

Mr. Narjes told the Parliament that the EC Commission was determined to apply all the GATT rules, "including taking retaliatory measures."

He said the commission and the U.S. trade representative, William E. Brock, would meet Friday in Brussels. "We will make it clear to the Americans that we will defend our rights under GATT," he said.

According to Mr. Narjes, Washington's decision to ban the EC imports for the rest of this year would cost the European steel industry \$80 million. The industry stands to lose an additional \$620 million by the U.S. decision to limit 1985 imports of steel tubes to 5.9 percent of the U.S. market.

### U.S. Attacks Farm Policies

A U.S. presidential task force has accused Washington's major trading partners of contributing to instability in Central America and attacking the free-enterprise system through their farm and trade policies, Reuters reported from Washington.

The president's task force on international private enterprise, in a

## 'Normal' Cholesterol Level Called Dangerous

By Jane E. Brody  
*New York Times Service*

NEW YORK — In the most far-reaching public health recommendation yet made on cholesterol and heart disease, a panel has advised dietary and other treatment for many people whose cholesterol levels have until now been considered "normal" by many American physicians.

The panel said Wednesday that average cholesterol levels among Americans were too high and contributed to the fact that half the population died of heart disease.

The panel's report, released by the National Institutes of Health, elevated blood cholesterol was cited for the first time as a direct cause of heart disease, not just an associated "risk factor."

The experts set as a desirable cholesterol goal a blood level of less than 180 milligrams (.003 ounces) for adults in their 20s and less than 200 milligrams for those aged 30 and older. Typical middle-age Americans have cholesterol readings of 220 to 260 milligrams.

The panel urged aggressive treatment for people 30 and older whose cholesterol levels are above 240 milligrams. In addition, the panel said that children with levels above 185 milligrams and people in their 20s with cholesterol levels above 220 milligrams should be treated to lower those levels.

Many physicians now regard these levels as

acceptable, primarily because they are commonly found in Americans. However, the panel said that a decrease of as much as 50 percent in heart disease rates could be achieved in these people, whom they describe as "at high risk."

"We realized that doctors are not going to do much about cholesterol until they know what's high," said Dr. Daniel Steinberg of the University of California, San Diego, who was chairman of the panel.

The panel was true with high blood pressure. "Dr. Steinberg said. By calling attention to what are now regarded as blood pressure levels that warrant treatment, public health experts succeeded in greatly reducing this hazard among millions of Americans."

The panel, whose members were chosen for their diverse expertise and lack of a prior strong public stand on the cholesterol issue, was convened by the health organizations to try to arrive at a consensus on what, if anything, should be done about cholesterol in the general population.

For two days the panel considered a wide range of evidence and dissenting views from those who believe that changing diet is not necessary before it devised its aggressive recommendations. The panel called for an all-out national campaign to help people put its recommendations into effect.

The panel's report said a vast amount of evidence, from the laboratory and clinic as

well as from studies of populations throughout the world, supported a conclusion that cholesterol was a cause of heart disease.

These studies indicate that high blood cholesterol results in an accumulation of fatty deposits in blood vessels, resulting in a narrowing of those vessels and an increased chance that the blood supply to the heart can be cut off, precipitating a heart attack.

The most recent study showed that reducing cholesterol levels in the blood could prevent deaths from heart disease, with every 1 percent reduction in cholesterol lowering the coronary risk by 2 percent.

Dr. Steinberg said that this last study, conducted nationally through the Lipid Research Clinics, represented the "keystone in the arch" to solidify a cause-and-effect link between cholesterol and heart disease.

The panel said that dietary changes should be the first step in reducing blood cholesterol, followed by drug therapy if the strictest dietary measures do not produce the desired result.

Recommended dietary measures include lowering calorie intake, if needed, to achieve and maintain a normal body weight; reducing total fat to 30 percent of daily calories, and reducing saturated fat to less than 10 percent of calories.

This diet is identical with those that the American Heart Association has recommended for more than a decade.

He said the circumstances surrounding the death of the woman and the girl had not been determined. Israeli military officials denied that their deaths and the reported additional number of wounded were caused by the Israeli sweep. They refused to characterize the size of the operation, but Mr. Goksel said it was one of the largest to be conducted recently in the area.

Israel Radio, meanwhile, reported that during the searches of the villages Israeli soldiers were surrounded by crowds of people, mostly women, who attacked them with metal pipes and knives. The radio said the soldiers fired their weapons in the air to escape.

The Israeli Army action came on

the same day that the 10th session in the Israeli-Lebanese military talks was scheduled to take place at the UN headquarters in Naqura.

Mr. Goksel said the meeting was

canceled because of poor weather that prevented UN helicopters from bringing the Lebanese military delegation to southern Lebanon from Beirut.

He said the next meeting was set for Monday.

Nabil Berri, who represents southern Lebanon in the Lebanese cabinet, described the Israeli security sweep as a "massacre." He said there were "scores of detainees and the occupation forces used dozens of tanks and armored vehicles in this mad campaign."

Mr. Berri called for a general strike throughout the south on Saturday.

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U.S. Cuts Off Agency Funds Over Abortion

By Don Shannon  
*Los Angeles Times Service*

WASHINGTON — In an important application of its anti-abortion policy, the Reagan administration has told the major international family planning agency that it will lose all U.S. funding on Jan. 1.

Bradman Weerakoon, secretary-general of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, said Wednesday that the loss of \$17 million in federal financing would have "a very damaging effect" on the agency's programs in 119 nations.

Although the secretary-general refused to specify what had been agreed upon in the negotiations, diplomats said that one of the major concessions was about territory.

The Turkish invasion of 1974 expanded the zone controlled by the Turkish Cypriot community, which constitutes 18 percent of the population, to about 37 percent of the island's land area. Mr. Denktash initially offered to return seven small enclaves.

Now he has proposed retaining 29 percent of the island, and the Greek Cypriots have modified their demand, offering to leave the Turkish community with 23 percent, a gap the secretary-general feels can be bridged at the talks.

There has been agreement that legislative power would be divided on the American model, with equal representation for each of the two states in the upper house and Greek Cypriot control of the lower house by a seven-to-three margin.

Diplomats said the progress was possible now because of the declaration of independence by Mr. Denktash in 1983. As a result, the status quo policed by a UN peace force since 1964 began to erode and raised fears in Washington that the dispute would embroil Greece and Turkey and damage NATO.

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## Pentagon Is Said To Offer Freeze On Military Pay

By David Hoffman and George Wilson  
*Washington Post Service*

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger has proposed that 2.1 million Americans in uniform be given a special early pay raise in July 1985,

and then military pay would be frozen in 1986, as the Pentagon's contribution toward reducing the budget deficit, Reagan administration officials said Thursday.

Mr. Weinberger said that news accounts that he had proposed a "freeze" to President Ronald Reagan on military pay in 1986 were "false."

"The idea of being unfair to the troops," he said Thursday, "is certainly no proposal of mine or no proposal of the president."

But administration sources who were present when Mr. Weinberger made a presentation in the press room at a luncheon Wednesday said he proposed that a special, early pay raise be put into effect in July.

That would be on top of the 4-percent military pay raise already scheduled to go into effect in January.

Then, under the proposal, military pay would be held steady until 1987, according to the officials.

Mr. Weinberger's suggestion would affect 2.1 million Americans in uniform. Congress has rejected proposals for a military pay freeze in the past. "We tried it once and it was dead the moment it got up there," a White House official said.

Mr. Reagan has already tentatively approved a proposed 5-percent pay cut in 1986 for civilian government workers.

The White House has set a goal of reducing the deficit from more than \$200 billion in the next fiscal year to under \$100 billion by 1988.

Mr. Weinberger has been engaged in a sharp debate with other administration officials over military spending. David A. Stockman, director of the Office of Management and Budget, has proposed

that Pentagon spending be cut by \$8 billion in the 1986 fiscal year, \$20 billion in 1987 and \$30 billion in 1988.

But the officials said Mr. Weinberger's proposals for spending reductions totaled \$6 billion for each year and that he resisted the deeper cuts sought by Mr. Stockman.

Officials said Mr. Weinberger also "re-estimated" the actual spending planned next year for the Pentagon. The White House had been using the figure of \$236 billion. Officials said his "re-estimate" means that Mr. Weinberger would have to find less savings than under his previous estimate.

Sources said the meeting Wednesday was contentious. Several cabinet members pressed Mr. Weinberger to come up with a bigger "contribution" toward reducing deficits than he has so far, they said.

Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan said Wednesday morning that the military must accept its share of budget savings next year. If not, he said, "I don't think our country in domestic spending 'have a prayer in Congress.' From an economic point of view," Mr. Regan said, "the economy of the country, in my judgment, is almost as important as our defense against outside enemies, and with these huge deficits we could be in danger of losing our economy."

A "pause for a year" in the Pentagon buildup "is not asking too much," he added.

The chief White House spokesman, Larry Speakes, said that no final decisions were made at the luncheon meeting Wednesday.

■ Reagan Firms on MX

*Low Cannon of The Washington Post reported from Washington:*

President Reagan urged Senator Barry Goldwater, the incoming chairman of the Armed Services Committee, on Wednesday to "keep an open mind" on production

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## U.S. Promises to Inform Allies on Arms Talks

By John M. Goshko  
*Washington Post Service*

BRUSSELS — Secretary of State George P. Shultz gave the North Atlantic Treaty Organization a detailed description Thursday of U.S. planning for his talks next month with the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei A. Gromyko.

He promised that U.S. allies would be consulted extensively about moves toward arms-control negotiations.

Senior U.S. officials said that Mr. Shultz stressed repeatedly that President Ronald Reagan had not made the major decisions about U.S. strategy for the meeting with Mr. Gromyko in Geneva next month.

According to the officials, Mr. Shultz said at the annual winter meeting of NATO foreign ministers that the talks would deal less with the substance than with the procedures for dealing with the three distinct areas of arms control: strategic nuclear missiles, medium-range nuclear missiles and space weaponry.

European sources described Mr. Shultz as saying that the United States wanted a "frank dialogue" and intended to approach the Geneva talks in a "positive, extremely serious and open-minded manner."

However, according to both European and U.S. officials, Mr. Shultz said that negotiations would be long and difficult. He also said that the difficulty in perceiving Soviet goals and motivations made it impossible to predict whether the negotiations would lead to successful arms-control agreements.

Those parts of Mr. Shultz's hour-long presentation to the NATO ministers that were made public essentially repeated points that the Reagan administration has been stressing since the Nov. 22 announcement of the meeting that is to be held Jan. 7 and 8.

Although Mr. Shultz is known to have revealed some of the negotiating ideas that the administration has under consideration, officials of the 16 NATO member countries refused to make them public.

Instead, they said, there is a general recognition within the alliance that U.S. planning is still in a tentative stage. The emphasis at Thursday's meeting was on reassuring the Europeans of Washington's intention to consult and inform them fully.

The West Europeans are especially worried about the negotiations aimed at reducing medium-range missiles. The 1979 NATO decision to deploy 5

## Soviet Defense Minister Is Said to Have Cancer, Leaving Leadership Gap

By Robert Gillette  
Los Angeles Times Service

MOSCOW — Dmitri F. Ustinov, the Soviet defense minister, has cancer and is not expected to resume his duties, according to Soviet sources.

Western diplomats said the departure of Marshal Ustinov, 76, would leave a major gap in the 12-member ruling Politburo and affect the politics of the succession to President Konstantin U. Chernenko.

The defense minister has been absent from public view since Sept. 27, when he presented the Order of Lenin to Mr. Chernenko in a televised Kremlin ceremony.

Marshal Ustinov's name, however, has continued to appear on official statements published in the Soviet press, indicating that he is still at least nominally minister of defense.

The sources, who have proved reliable in the past, said the marshal had undergone surgery for a malignancy in his lower intestine and was not expected to return to work. They discounted as inaccurate earlier reports in the Western press that he had suffered a stroke.

Soviet officials have either refused to comment on Marshal Ustinov's absence or have said that he was suffering from a "cold," the same explanation offered during President Yuri V. Andropov's five-month absence before his death in February from kidney failure.

Marshal Ustinov is a member of the four-member inner circle of the Politburo, along with Mr. Chernenko, 73; Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko, 75; and Prime Minister Nikolai A. Tikhonov, 79.

With the armed forces behind him, Marshal Ustinov is believed to have played a decisive role in the choice of Mr. Andropov to succeed President Leonid I. Brezhnev in the fall of 1982, and again in Mr. Chernenko's rise to power when Mr. Andropov died.

Because of his power and personal prestige, Marshal Ustinov's death would most likely diminish the army's voice in the next succession.

"The leadership right now is in stable equilibrium, like a three-legged stool," a Western diplomat said. "Remove one of the legs, and they have to face some questions they would rather not confront."

The marshal's influence stems not just from his position as defense minister and a full Politburo member, posts he has held since 1976, but from his personal role in building the Soviet military machine over the last 40 years.

Marshal Ustinov was first appointed commissar of the armaments industry by Stalin in 1941 and except for a two-year period under Nikita S. Khrushchev, has held major responsibility for the Soviet military buildup ever since.

"Virtually anyone who might replace him would be a pygmy by comparison," a Western diplomat said.



Gary Kasparov, left, winning a game against Anatoli Karpov.

### Kasparov Wins First Game From Karpov

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Gary Kasparov scored his first victory in the World Chess Championship on Thursday when the titlist, Anatoli Karpov, resigned the adjourned 32d game without resuming play.

The game was adjourned Wednesday after 40 moves, with Mr. Kasparov holding a pawn advantage. Chess officials said Mr. Karpov telephoned his decision to concede the game to his 21-year-old challenger.

Mr. Kasparov's victory makes the score 5-1 against him in the three-month match. The first player to achieve six victories wins. The contestants have played 26 draws, which do not count in scoring. Until Wednesday, Mr. Kasparov had been unable to crack the 33-year-old Mr. Karpov's defenses.

The organizers of the match scheduled the next game for Monday. Tass said the organizers of the match "called a technical time out."

## Inspection Shows Deficiencies in 16 U.S. Airlines

By Richard Witkin  
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Sixteen of the nation's 327 airlines had their operations suspended or curtailed or withdrew some pilots from service as a result of an intensive national inspection by the Federal Aviation Administration last spring, according to the agency's final report on the program.

The release of the document Wednesday came amid increasing criticism from government and congressional air safety experts over the surveillance of airline operations by the aviation agency.

Several surprises came to light in the report. One was that three airlines, People Express, Alaska Airlines and Markair, voluntarily pulled pilots from service for various periods as a result of the national inspection.

Denis Feldman, a spokesman for the aviation agency, said that People Express had taken its action, affecting 55 pilots, because the airline "couldn't produce records to show that the pilots were current" in the planes they were flying. In other words, the airline had no documentation that the pilots had passed the required six-month proficiency checks by management pilots.

Mr. Feldman said that Alaska Airlines, where 90 pilots were involved, had inadequate records on proficiency checks and on training of both pilots and cabin attendants in evacuation procedures. Markair suspended 27 pilots, according to the report.

[Some of the problems among

the 29 types of deficiencies found by the inspectors. The Washington Post reported, were that some aircrafts loaded and balanced planes unevenly, making them unstable in flight; some flight crews did not record mechanical difficulties in their logbooks, meaning that a subsequent crew was unaware of them and that mechanics did not know they needed fixing.

[Some crews were unfamiliar with the "Minimum Equipment List," an FAA compilation of all gadgets that must work properly before a flight is legal, and some mechanics were not properly trained to inspect planes for possible defects, the report said.]

Concern about airline safety mounted last week with the conjunction of several events: the crash in Florida of a commuter

airline plane that had been grounded for two weeks last month; the grounding of another commuter airline last weekend; and the opening by the National Transportation Safety Board of consideration of its final report on the crash of another commuter airline, Air Illinois, which suspended its services after a crash that killed 10 people a year ago.

Elizabeth Hanford Dole, the U.S. transportation secretary, said that steps were being taken to bolster surveillance of the industry in the new era of government deregulation. But she sought to reassure the public by citing figures in the report showing that less than one-half of 1 percent of the items or systems examined in the inspection were minuscule compared with the major airlines that carry most of the traveling public.

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## East Germany Shifts Political Priority

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Honecker regime will avoid major initiatives in its relations with Bonn.

A six-month pause would cover not only the first stage of the new Soviet-American negotiations but also the 40th anniversary of the capitalization of the Nazi regime.

In 1943, the Soviet Union and the Western Allies were unable to agree on how to celebrate their victory, and there are indications that they will find it any easier this time. This leaves the Germans, especially the East Germans, in a delicate situation.

A summit meeting of Western industrial nations is scheduled to take place in Bonn shortly before the anniversary and there has been speculation in the West German press that President Ronald Reagan might stay on afterward for a short state visit to West Germany, including perhaps even West Berlin. The East Germans would be expected to avoid any contact with Bonn during such a period.

Mr. Modrow indicated that he and his colleagues felt that domestic political developments in West Germany were creating new obstacles for understanding between the two Germans.

He said Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats are moving steadily to the right, partly because the Free Democrats in the government coalition have ceased to be a valid partner for them.

"At the same time we read in the papers that the Social Democrats are doing nothing and that the Greens are absorbed in their own quarrels," he said, adding "there is a dialectic in all this and it is not good."

The Honecker regime even more scheduled, Mr. Honecker is only too glad to pull back and accept the Soviet lead, a Western specialist said.

"The separate German track has come to an end at least for the time being," he said.

But he added that West Germany retained such crucial political and economic importance for the East Germans that they would restrain from creating new tensions between the two Germans even though they might cut down on contacts.

Mr. Modrow rejected the idea that East German foreign policy was entering a "waiting period."

"We will be very active in seeking to broaden our contacts with all Western countries," he said. "We are seeking peaceful coexistence with all countries, not only West Germany."

Mr. Honecker, during a visit to East Berlin this week of Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans of Belgium, stressed the same desire for closer relations with the West.

The East Germans hope for an early visit of the new French foreign minister, Roland Dumas. And there is talk of a Honecker visit to Italy in return for Prime Minister Bettino Craxi's visit to East Berlin earlier this year.

East Germany has lagged behind Hungary and other East European countries in developing its relations with individual Western nations. East German officials have come to the conclusion that the time has come to try to catch up on this score, judging from Mr. Modrow's remarks and Mr. Honecker's public statements.

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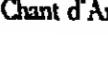


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## Walesa Urges Reforms on Martial Law Anniversary

Reuters

WARSAW — Lech Walesa, leader of the banned Solidarity union, said Thursday he feared that Poland would fall into permanent crisis and become a "country of the fifth world" unless the Communist authorities made fundamental reforms.

In a message released on the third anniversary of the imposition of martial law, which suppressed Solidarity, Mr. Walesa also called on the movement's activists to launch a new campaign for trade union pluralism.

"The last three years," Mr. Walesa said, "have left no doubt about the complete bankruptcy of those who imagined that it was possible to make changes in Poland without society's help or to introduce some kind of absolute rule."

"As long as the same situation exists in our public life that came into being on Dec. 13, 1981," he said, "those who do not want reforms will always hold sway in public life."

"The result will be a poor Poland, cut off from the world, plunged into permanent crisis. Poland as a country of the 'fifth world,' without any advantages of modern civilization but with all its disadvantages."

Poland's Communist Party newspaper marked the martial law anniversary with a vow to continue fighting political opponents as well as pursuing domestic reforms.

"No one with an objective view can doubt that Poland is on the road of socialist reforms," the daily Trybuna Ludu said, "and that there is no alternative to the policy of national accord and the fight against those who destroy our society."

The ministry did not deny that some civilians have been killed in the government security crackdown that followed the recent guerrilla attacks. But in a statement, it asserted that the Tamil rebels deliberately engaged security forces in heavily populated areas to ensure high civilian casualties.

## WORLD BRIEFS

### Marcos Orders Curbs to Get IMF Loan

MANILA (UPI) — President Ferdinand E. Marcos ordered Thursday strict compliance with government spending targets in a last-minute move to win approval of a \$630-million loan from the International Monetary Fund. The fund was expected to consider the Philippine request Friday at its headquarters in Washington.

But Philippine news reports said that final approval may be put off until January because Japanese bankers have refused to commit themselves to making new loans to the heavily indebted Marcos government. A statement from the presidential palace said that Mr. Marcos ordered his aides to comply with a plan to cut costs and improve tax collection to reduce a projected 1984 budget deficit of \$2 billion pesos (\$410 million). The directive was designed to "strengthen the country's bid" for the IMF, the statement said.

### Students Protest at Beijing University

BEIJING (Reuters) — Beijing University students staged a week of illegal protest against poor living and working conditions, the third known case of campus unrest in China in recent months, students said Thursday.

Several hundred students defied a campus broadcast banning open protest and marched on the university president's home Monday to complain about a new rule that dormitory lights should be switched off at 11 P.M., they said. Students also condemned poor teaching, higher prices for poor canned food and the slow pace of educational reforms.

Two weeks ago more than 1,000 undergraduates at the University of Xiamen held a rally against a decision to spend 100,000 yuan (about \$40,000) on beautifying the campus when the library was short of books, the students said. In June, Nanjing University students marched on the city government to demand the removal of the Communist Party secretary, whom they blamed for a decline in the status of the college.

### Sri Lanka Rebels Gandhi's Charges

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (UPI) — Sri Lanka rebutted on Thursday charges by Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi of India that its security forces have harassed Indian fishermen and killed civilians in a campaign against Tamil separatist rebels.

The Foreign Ministry said the allegations leveled this week, only encourage the rebels. Sri Lanka has repeatedly asserted that India allowed the rebels to operate from bases in southern India. The stamp exchange further damaged Indian-Sri Lankan relations, which have been deteriorating rapidly since a series of raids this month by Tamil rebels. The Tamils are seeking to establish an independent state in northern Sri Lanka.

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### Schroeder Gets Disability Benefits

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (AP)

— The Social Security Administration on Thursday awarded disability benefits to William Schroeder, the artificial heart recipient, a day after Mr. Schroeder complained to President Ronald Reagan about foot-dragging by the bureaucracy.

James Brown, a spokesman for Social Security at its Baltimore headquarters, said that the agency had determined that Mr. Schroeder's federal pension from working in a government arsenal did not require a deduction in his disability benefits.

Two Social Security officials delivered a check to Mr. Schroeder in his hospital room, and one told him the president "took a great deal of interest in your case."

The sources said that Mr. Reagan, in a private 30-minute meeting with Mr. Goldwater, insisted that the missile is a vital bargaining chip in arms control negotiations scheduled to resume next month with the Soviet Union.

"If we're going to get any concessions from the Russians, we've got to bargain from a position of strength," an official said that Mr. Reagan told Mr. Goldwater, "and the MX is essential to getting them to take our proposal seriously."

Mr. Goldwater, Republican of Arizona, wrote to Mr. Reagan on Dec. 3, saying, "We do not have the votes in the Senate or the House to pass the MX in the coming vote."

He urged Mr. Reagan to limit his support to urging that about \$1.5 billion be spent to produce 21 previously authorized MX missiles when the issue comes before Congress in March or early April.

Mr. Goldwater asked the president to "lay off any formal request" for more money, apparently a reference to the \$3.7 billion for 48 MX missiles sought by the Defense Department in the fiscal 1986 budget.

Twenty-one of the missiles are in production and scheduled for deployment in 1986, and another 21 are awaiting the outcome of the spring vote in Congress. Of the remaining 58, 48 are proposed by the Defense Department in the 1986 budget.

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Milton Mendez, a rebel commander, confers with Archbishop Arturo Rivera y Damas in the hills of San Vicente, where the rebels recently released captured government soldiers. The archbishop has been active in negotiating a holiday truce with the rebels.

## 2 Holiday Truces Accepted in Salvador

*Los Angeles Times Service*

SAN SALVADOR — The government of El Salvador has formally agreed to brief truces over the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

On Tuesday, the rebels called for two 72-hour cease-fires, one to begin Dec. 24 and end at midnight Dec. 26, and the other from Dec. 31 until midnight Jan. 2. During peace talks with the insurgents last month in Ayagualo,

the government had asked for a longer truce, but an official spokesman said Wednesday that there would be no attempt to seek an extension.

"We accept the truce with pleasure," said Oscar Reyes, a spokesman for President José Napoleón Duarte. "Obviously, the other side has already rejected a longer truce. We cannot unilaterally extend the time period."

That accord still holds.

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## 2 Dissidents Charged With Treason in South Africa

### Iran Defends Handling of Hijacking, Indicates 4 Will Not Be Extradited

The Associated Press

NICOSIA — Prime Minister Mir Ilussein Moussavi of Iran has indicated that the four men who hijacked a Kuwaiti airliner and killed two Americans.

The Iranian news agency IRNA, monitored in Cyprus on Wednesday, quoted Mr. Moussavi as saying that Iran owed no one an explanation for its actions. "We are an independent country and we act according to the laws, and our beliefs," he said.

However, Mr. Moussavi defended Iran's decision to wait until Sunday, the sixth day of the hijack incident, to storm the plane. He was quoted as saying that the decision probably saved the lives of some hostages.

The White House spokesman, Larry Speakes, has said that President Ronald Reagan was outraged by Iran's behavior and demanded that Iran extradite or prosecute the hijackers. The United States accused Iran of encouraging "extreme behavior" by the hijackers and said that effective action by the Iranian authorities could have prevented the slaying of Charles F.

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However, Mr. Moussavi said that U.S. officials do not know what happened to those hijackers afterward and quoted unidentified Reagan administration officials as saying no hard evidence linked the two incidents.

CBS quoted U.S. sources as saying that interrupted radio transmissions between the hijacked Kuwait Airways plane and the Tehran control tower supported charges of Iranian complicity.

Iran accuses dissidents living in France of instigating a series of hijackings of Iranian airliners earlier this year.

Referring to the dissidents, IRNA quoted Mr. Moussavi as saying: "If handing over the hijackers was lawful, they should hand over the terrorists who have martyred hundreds inside Iran and who are now continuing their activities with the support of the Americans and the French. Then we shall hand over the Kuwait Airbus hijackers to them."

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Earlier, Charles P. Wallace of the Los Angeles Times reported from Kuwait:

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### French Envoy Says Talks To Start on Caledonia

The Associated Press

NOUMEA, New Caledonia — The French special envoy said Thursday that three days of talks on the territory's future would begin this weekend. But a top anti-independence leader said he would not take part in the negotiations.

The special envoy, Edgard Pisani, said he would begin detailed talks Saturday with all sides on New Caledonia's future.

Mr. Pisani refused to specify what the talks would cover or what his position would be.

The Kanak Socialist National Liberation Front, which claims to represent most of the island's native Kanak people, is demanding independence from France. Independence is opposed by most of the Europeans, Polynesians and Asians who make up 57 percent of New Caledonia's 145,000 people.

Twelve people have been killed in political violence since late November. The French authorities reported calm Thursday. Armored personnel carriers and 100 troopers had been sent to reinforce the east coast town of Thio, the French authorities said.

Mr. Pisani said progress had been made on restoring law and order but that perfect calm could not be expected.

"I have never said that the restoration of order would be like in a military camp or a monastery," he said. "But progress has been made."

But Dick Ukewe, president of the territorial government elected Nov. 18, said talks could not begin Saturday because law and order had not been restored.

Mr. Ukewe complained that the French authorities were not moving to restore full law and order. Large paramilitary units were standing idle while unrest continued, he said.

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He also announced that he had asked Paris for 10 million francs (\$1.05 million) to aid people whose homes were destroyed in the unrest.

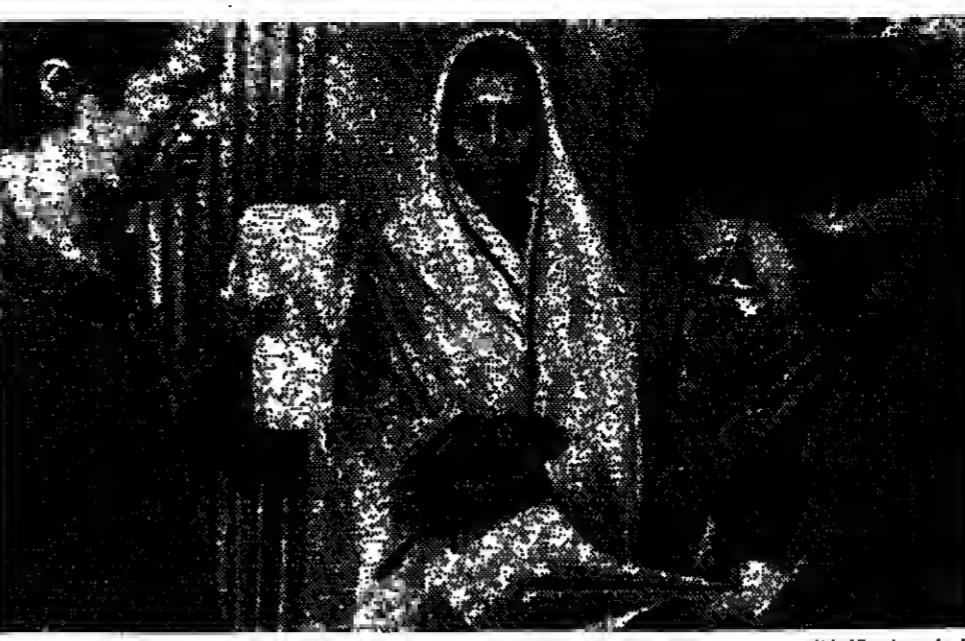
A spokesman for the Kanak front said Thursday the reinforcements had been sent to Thio at the front's request to crack down on extremist Europeans. The front wanted the authorities to restore order across the island, he said.

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United Press International

U.S. legal teams have been visiting residents of Bhopal, India, who wish to file compensation claims against Union Carbide Corp. following the poison gas leak that killed 2,000 people.

### Even Hospital Patients Flee Bhopal

By Sanjoy Hazarika  
New York Times Service

BHOPAL, India — The emergency room at the Hamidia hospital was locked Thursday evening and admissions were down to a trickle as scores of patients deserted the hospital and joined a swelling exodus of fearful residents out of the city.

The exodus began Wednesday hours after an official announced that detoxification of the poisonous methyl isocyanate at the U.S.-owned Union Carbide Corp. chemical plant here would begin Sunday.

No headcount was possible but informed estimates said that at least 100,000 of the city's 900,000 people had left within a 24-hour period, joining another 100,000 who fled immediately after the leak took place Dec. 2.

The hospital corridors, which last week were blocked by thousands of gassing victims, were free from patients Thursday.

A doctor in a woman's ward reported that 20 patients of about 50 had left the ward Thursday at their own request. He added, however, that seriously ill patients were not allowed to be moved from the hospital.

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and other health officials said that the hospital was providing a seven-day dose of free medicines to patients who were leaving.

Senior health officials announced, meanwhile, that doctors would not be allowed to go on leave or take vacations until the detoxification process was complete. That is likely to take at least four days.

Doctors at the Hamidia hospital said, however, that a few doctors and nurses have left their posts.

In one of a series of crises that the hospital has encountered since the chemical leak, junior doctors

were called in to evaluate a senior physician by a local politician

They returned to work Wednesday. According to Dr. Bhandari, a major new problem has developed: All the cooks working at the doctor's hostels have fled in panic. On Thursday, he and other senior doctors sat with the 300 or so junior doctors still at the hospital and promised to feed and look after them.

He told a group of young doctors who visited his office that he had been promised the services of 12 cooks by the police department.

Dr. Bhandari said there were no plans to evacuate the hospital. Referring to the closed emergency room, he said: "We can open it whenever patients come."

■ Swiss Assembly Approves Joining UN, Clearing Way for National Plebiscite

United Press International

BERN — The upper house of the Swiss Federal Assembly voted Thursday in favor of Switzerland joining the United Nations, clearing the way for a national referendum on the issue.

But government officials said that a plebiscite was unlikely to be arranged before 1986 or 1987 in view of an already heavy voting schedule next year. Opinion polls show a majority of Swiss opposed to membership in the world organization.

The vote in the 46-member Council of States was 24-16, with six members absent. It followed a similar vote in March in the 200-member National Council, the lower house.

For several years, the Federal Council, the seven-member govern-

ing cabinet, has tried to promote the idea of UN membership. It argues that Switzerland can no longer afford politically to remain outside the world's only universal organization dedicated to peace.

Conservative parties and other right-of-center groupings oppose membership because it would dilute Switzerland's traditional policy of armed neutrality.

Officials acknowledge that public opinion still leans against membership. The government wants to choose the best time for the vote.

Joining the UN would be a constitutional issue and therefore requires approval by a majority of both the popular vote and the 26 cantons, or states.

The only other major nonmembers are North Korea and South Korea.

### U.S. Delays Hampered UNESCO, Panel Says

By Joanne Omang  
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — A citizens' group established by Congress to monitor developments at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization has found that the seven-month U.S. delay in spelling out changes it wants in UNESCO "greatly hampered" the organization's effort to reform itself.

In a confidential report Nov. 27 to Secretary of State George P. Shultz, a panel of the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO also found that major reforms have begun. It cited "a clear gap between the U.S. position and the position of the vast majority of U.S. allies" on the Reagan administration plan to withdraw from UNESCO by Dec. 31.

President Ronald Reagan is expected to confirm the withdrawal formally within the next few days, ending 38 years of U.S. membership in the organization.

The commission of 90 private citizens and nongovernmental organizations acts as liaison among the U.S. government, UNESCO and American citizens and has opposed withdrawal plans. Mr. Shultz asked the commission to send observers to UNESCO's September-October board meetings in Paris and report to him and to the commission.

"The perceived need for reform is widely shared," the panel wrote, adding that "the director general has taken steps" to "initiate and implement a very wide range of reforms and improvements."

At the governing board meeting, UNESCO member nations expressed "anger and frustration" because "a general belief that no matter what efforts were made by the other nations, it would not affect the U.S. decision," the report said.

The United States first detailed proposed reforms in July, seven months after announcing withdrawal plans. The delay greatly hampered the efforts of reform by UNESCO and by member states, the report said.

### Fire at British Racecourse

The Associated Press

LIVERPOOL — A fire Thursday gutted the main grandstand at Liverpool's Aintree racecourse but organizers of the famous Grand National steeplechase, which has been held at Aintree since 1839, said the annual race would be run March 30 as planned.

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## 2 Dissidents Charged With Treason in South Africa

Reuters

DURBAN, South Africa — Two anti-apartheid activists, arrested Wednesday as they left the British Consulate after seeking refuge there for three months, were charged in a Durban court Thursday with treason.

They are expected to be among eight defendants in a trial of government opponents set for next month. If convicted, they could face the death penalty.

Lawyers for the accused, who led opposition to a new constitution that continues to exclude the country's black majority from the central government, said the state intends to call 150 witnesses and expects the trial to last 18 months.

Archie Gumede, 72, a leader of the United Democratic Front, and Paul David, 40, an official of the Natal Indian Congress, were ordered held until Dec. 21 when the possibility of bail is scheduled to be discussed.

The other six defendants work for organizations affiliated with the Democratic Front, a multiracial group formed last year to oppose the constitution and apartheid.

The defendants also face charges of contravening sections of the Internal Security Act that forbid terrorism, sabotage, subversion and working with a banned organization.

Mr. Gumede, Mr. David and Billy Nair, another Natal Indian Congress member, left their sanctuary in the British Consulate on Wednesday after an order saying that they should be arrested and held without trial was withdrawn.

Mr. Gumede and Mr. David were arrested immediately after leaving the building as hundreds of blacks and Indians shouted support for them.

Mr. Nair, who was released earlier this year after serving 20 years in prison for sabotage, was allowed to go free. He addressed a political rally within minutes of leaving the consulate.

### Hong Kong to Lose a Symbol

Reuters

HONG KONG — Hong Kong will lose a symbol of its British colonial status next year when the word "colony" disappears from its currency. A phrase saying that the holder is entitled to payment "or the equivalent in the currency of the colony" will not appear on the new bank notes. Under an agreement to be signed next week, Hong Kong will revert to Chinese sovereignty in 1997.

## France's African Allies Uneasy

Chad, Possible Compromise With Libya Raise Concern

By Joseph Fitchett

International Herald Tribune

PARIS — France's difficulties in Chad and apparent willingness to compromise with Libya have sent a tremor of uneasiness through French relations with moderate African states whose leaders depend on France to support their economies and security. French officials and commentators say.

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tween the two factions, the officials say, can provide a durable solution in Chad and help stabilize North Africa.

But this newly disclosed French view, diplomats said, has aroused fears among African leaders that France is moving toward acceptance of a de facto partition of Chad that would be a victory for Libya.

Doubts about French policy surfaced this week at a meeting in Burundi between Mr. Mitterrand and French-speaking African leaders.

Programmed to be a French diplomatic triumph, the African summit meeting turned into a political boomerang. Instead of arriving at the meeting with a solution in Chad, Mr. Mitterrand encountered increasing skepticism.

France's recently departed foreign minister, Claude Cheysson, was noceremoniously excluded from the trip, reportedly because of African skepticism.

The conference was boycotted by France's most important African friend, Félix Houphouët-Boigny, president of the Ivory

## Krafft A. Ehricke, Pioneer Rocket Scientist, Dies

By Keay Davidson

Los Angeles Times Service

LA JOLLA, California — Krafft A. Ehricke, 67, who became a pioneering scientist in the conquest of space after having helped build V-2 rockets as a German soldier in World War II, died here Tuesday of complications from leukemia.

Mr. Ehricke wrote about the future of space flight and, as vice president of the Convair Division of General Dynamics, was in charge of developing the Centaur rocket that is still used to propel robot probes to distant planets.

One of Mr. Ehricke's major interests was the moon. He believed it was man's destiny to colonize the satellite, building cities and factories both on and below the moon's barren surface. He illustrated his plans with colorful paintings and detailed diagrams of moon colonies that he believed were within the ability of mankind.

He will be cremated, according to a family spokesman, who added the ashes "will be saved until they

can be sent into space," possibly aboard the space shuttle.

René Klopferstein, 57, Swiss Music Conductor

MONTREUX, Switzerland (AP) — René Klopferstein, 57, Swiss conductor and former director of the Montreux International Music Festival, died while on a flight from the United States to Switzerland, his family announced Thursday.

In his early career, Mr. Klopferstein worked as a music critic and an artistic director for a record company, first coming to prominence as the conductor of the Mozartean Orchestra in Salzburg. In 1967 he became director of the Montreux festival.

### Other Deaths:

Jack Mercer, 74, who charmed generations of children as the voice of Popeye, Wimpy and Felix the Cat, Friday in New York.

Frank A. Gekkard, 80, a professor



François Mitterrand

## New Mauritania Regime Maintains Recognition of Polisario Guerrillas

The Associated Press

DAKAR, Senegal — The new government of Mauritania officially continued recognition on Thursday of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic of the Polisario Front guerrillas who are fighting for control of the Western Sahara.

The announcement on Mauritanian radio, monitored in Dakar, said the ruling military Committee for National Salvation nevertheless hoped for a negotiated solution in the territory, where Polisario guerrillas, backed by Algeria, have been fighting for years with Morocco.

The official communiqué also restated the reasons for Wednesday's coup, which removed Lieutenant Colonel Mohammed Khouna Ould Haidalla and brought the army chief of staff, Colonel Maouya Ould Sidi Ahmed Taya, to power.

"The policies were turned by the former president to serve his per-

sonal interests," the broadcast said. It listed "bad management," "unemployment" and "blocking the wheels of state" as among Colonel Haidalla's failings.

The decision to recognize the Polisario came as something of a surprise. Colonel Taya, considered a moderate, has in the past expressed displeasure at Colonel Haidalla's favorable stance toward the Polisario.

The decision was certain to disappoint Morocco, which annexed the Western Sahara in 1975 and has been fighting a guerrilla war there ever since.

Mauritania, which took a portion of the region when Spain withdrew, was also fighting the guerrillas. But in 1979 it signed a truce with the Polisario and withdrew all claims to the land.

In February, Colonel Haidalla officially recognized the Saharan

Arab Democratic Republic, as the Polisario calls Western Sahara. The move resulted in the breaking of relations with Morocco.

Algeria, the Polisario's most ardent backer and Mauritania's ally, was certain to express relief at the decision. There was no immediate comment from Rahat or Algiers.

Last August, Morocco signed a "treaty of unity" with Libya. On Thursday, Libya announced its recognition of the new regime.

The deposed Mauritanian president, who was attending a French-African summit meeting in Burundi at the time of the coup, was reported to have returned Thursday to the Mauritanian capital of Nouakchott. Senegalese radio reported meanwhile, a curfew was in effect in Mauritania, and airports remained closed Thursday.

Reports from Nouakchott said the coup had little impact on the daily life in the nation of two million people.

Mauritanian radio's Thursday night broadcast said the decision to "restructure" the military committee was made "after an analysis of the current situation in Mauritania following a prolonged drought but also because of the fact that the toppled president headed a regime of waste and corruption in the country."

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# Christmas Shopping: In Spanish Streets and Swiss Airports

by Mary Peirson Kennedy

**M**ADRID — Christmas shopping in Madrid comes in all sizes and prices; it is leisurely change gifts on Jan. 6, so there is no frenetic last-minute rush before Christmas — and, as Spain abounds in artisans and artists, it is an adventure for the person who is looking for that special and different present.

The large department stores in Madrid stay open all day. The small shops are open from 9:30 or 10:00 A.M. to 1:30 or 2:00 P.M. and from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. They usually close Saturday afternoons.

The Puerta del Sol, in the center of Madrid, is where Spaniards gather at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31 to eat 12 grapes for good luck in the New Year. It is also the center of sales for the Christmas lottery (drawn Dec. 22, tickets sell for as little as 200 pesetas, or about \$1.20). Streets, wide and narrow, fan out around this huge plaza. In Espoz y Mina, at No. 3, you will find Guantes Lluque, a shop devoted to gloves. In business for more than 100 years, it offers mittens, fur-lined gloves, and gloves of velvet, lace, crocheted cotton and silk. The largest selection is in leather. Prices range from 1,000 to 5,000 pesetas. There are gay, polka-dotted leather gloves at 2,800 pesetas; lace opera gloves at 1,500, brightly colored mittens for 1,000. Sizes range from extra large to extra small. (Tel: 222-3287)

At No. 12 on the same street is Cuchillerías Simón, a store that specializes in anything that cuts — hunting knives in all sizes and shapes, kitchen knives (priced from 1,300 pesetas for a single knife to 46,000 pesetas for an elaborate set) and more than 200 types of scissors (including mustache, baby's fingernail, and paper scissors) priced from 600 to 1,100 pesetas (tel: 222-9851). And if you subscribe to the superstition that you must not give a gift that costs without giving money with it, go on a Sunday morning to the old-coin shops in the nearby Plaza Mayor and buy a silver coin from the time of Carlos V, or a Roman or Greek coin for anywhere from 300 to 300,000 pesetas.

Calle Cruz also starts at the Puerta del Sol. At No. 23 is what may be the only authentic cape shop left in Spain, Sesilia, now run by a third generation of tailors. The traditional cape sold there is made of special wool woven by artisans in Béjar, in Salamanca province. Though there is no claim that the

cape is waterproof, it does take a great deal of rain to dampen them. Picasso and Miró wore Sesilia capes, and Liberace has more than one. The woman's classic cape with a hood is a half circle, and the man's is a full circle, but both have the dramatic front panel, or *emboda*, that allows the wearer to wrap the cape around his body and protect the face. The capes begin at 20,000 pesetas and go as high as 58,900 for embroidered ones. The classic models for men and women range from 25,000 to 32,000 pesetas. (Tel: 231-6840)

A few blocks away, at Carrera San Jerónimo 30, the descendants of Luis Mira still make Christmas candies — marzipan and turron. Here you will find a crowd — for the Madrileño, Christmas is not Christmas without turron from Casa Mira. Perhaps the most popular are those of almond, peanut or dried fruit. The candy sells for 2,040 pesetas a kilogram (2.2 pounds). (Tel: 429-6790)

**T**HE many tiny streets that emanate from the nearby Plaza Mayor feature such interesting shops as Maravillas, at Calle la Sal 3, where, for 18,000 to 55,000 pesetas, you can indulge your longing for a bullfighter's outfit. Have one made to order; it will be ready in three days. Specializing in regional costumes, ballet and dance clothes, this tiny shop also has authentic regional dolls, from 490 to 2,500 pesetas. (Tel: 266-5248)

The Magenta at Huertas 61, (not far from the Prado museum) is worth a visit. It is where young Madrileños go if they are house-furnishing on a budget. Daniela Boyano, the *directora* and an interior decorator, has collected things from all over, and the shop serves as an outlet for an artist's commune near Madrid. Copies of ancient sundials from Madrid's Naval Museum range from 1,200 to 3,000 pesetas; framed, dried plants cost from 750 to 40,000 pesetas. Plaster of Paris heads of provocative-looking women in period dress have proved to be a best-selling item (about 2,750 pesetas apiece) as have copies of antique earrings that sell for 375 to 1,850 pesetas.

Also note the wooden toys and puzzles for children; herb colognes for each zodiac sign (900 pesetas each); for the nonsmoker, a pleasant-smelling herb mixture that, placed in an ashtray, burns on contact with cigarettes or cigars and absorbs odors (900 pesetas). It is open only from 5:30 P.M. to 9:00

P.M. weekdays and 10:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Saturdays. (Tel: 429-7040 or 429-3033)

Madrid's most elegant shopping is around Calle Serrano and Calle Goya and the Barrio Salamanca. At Bucanier, Conde de Aranda 21, the artificial and the natural in the floral world blend together so well that it is hard to tell the difference. The shop's specialty treatment ferns and palm trees are killed to "last forever." There is a huge collection of real and artificial Christmas decorations, with wreaths beginning at 4,000 pesetas. A tree of gold and silver shells is 6,500 pesetas, and table centerpieces begin at 2,875 pesetas and go up to 10,000 pesetas. The course costs 6,500 pesetas and includes materials. (Tel: 435-4070)

And for the woman who has everything? At Conde de Aranda 6, is Berta de la Cruz's tiny shop, which devotes itself to handmade underwear, nightgowns and baby clothes. As Berta de la Cruz explains: "There are very few women left in Spain who dedicate themselves to this art anymore, and when they go, we will go out of business." A classic slip can come with lots of lace or a little and sell for 36,000 pesetas; a christening dress is 38,000, a nightgown, 2,800, and a tiny dress for a new grandchild, 3,800. Everything is made to order. If you bring in a piece of antique lace, the shop will use it on your slip or nightgown or baby's dress. (Tel: 435-4102)

Around the corner, at Claudio Coello 16, is Arribas, a pottery shop devoted to Spanish pottery and full of unusual and decorative items. Copies of ancient pharmacy jars, with flower script, sell for 1,000 to 1,600 pesetas, and hanging wall planters are 400 pesetas. Pots, bowls, jars and mugs copied from items found in archaeological sites go for 400 to 900 pesetas; unglazed jars big enough for Ali Baba and his 40 thieves are 7,000 pesetas each; a trumpet that will blast across any field is 500 pesetas, and children's pottery banks are 150 pesetas.

For a last-minute present there is VIPS, open every day until 3:00 A.M. at the corner of Velázquez and Ortega y Gasset, where you can buy exotic foods, gimmicks, toys, gadgets, records and tapes. (Tel: 262-8438)

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by Mavis D. Guinard

**T**HOSE far snowflakes so eagerly awaited by skiers are finally falling in the Alps. Below the snowline, in most Swiss cities, they turn into rain and sleet.

On such days, any sensible Swiss housewife stays home to bake cookies. But travelers don't have the choice. Though Christmas shopping is heavier in downtown stores, one way to beat the weather is to use airport shopping facilities.

There is more to Geneva's Cointrin Airport and to Zurich's Kloten Airport than the tax-free lures of perfume, liquor and tobacco in the transit area.

Kloten is a shopper's paradise. In two terminals and four levels, 16 shops are open every day but Christmas from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. There are plenty of pushcarts and comfortable seats, and the tearooms are convenient for a break. There are also two banks and a post office.

There is a train from Zurich's main station every 20 minutes. On the Bahnhof shopping level, Martine's grocery displays fruits and vegetables, even Swiss-grown kiwis. A more typical gift might be the raclette grill with individual melting pans for 96 Swiss francs (\$38) or, for 110 francs, a fondue set complete with ceramic pot, burner, six long-handled forks and two packages of cheese mix. From their wine shelves you may select a strong, dry, white Fendant du Valais to serve chilled with the fondue (11.30 francs).

To add some compah-compah background to your party, Air Music Record Shop on the Plaza level suggests a roundup of Alpine music from bands all over Switzerland playing accordions, alpenhorns, cellos, mouth organs and slapping broomssticks (27 francs). The pop-rock crowd might prefer Polo Hofer's newest record, Polo Vinyl (24 francs).

No one will forgive you if you forget to bring back some Swiss chocolate. The most luxurious are the *truffles du jour* brought daily to Cointrin's Sprungli from its Parade Platz headquarters. A single truffle costs about 1 franc. The saleslady will also wrap and mail ready-made assortments such as the No. 1 selection (12 francs), the VIP choice (11 francs) or the Top Ten favorites (9 francs).

Standard brands are stocked at the oewspaper kiosk along with nostalgic postcards (50 centimes) that would be great as Christmas cards with their reproductions of old

Swiss travel posters and winter sports scenes. Cuckoo clocks sell for as low as 89 francs, or up to 625 francs for a delirious complicating model. The more up-to-the-minute line of Swatches found here (39.90 francs to 49.90 francs) includes the hard-to-find Swatch "skeleton" that shows the simplified movement. Snap up the model you fancy — despite production of 2.5 million units, the Swatch of the year is hard to find, even in Switzerland.

The ever-present Swiss bank will, of course, change money, but will also sell you a miniature gold bar (an almost stamp-sized 5-grain ingot is quoted at 155 francs). Far cheaper are more mundane metals at Coutellerie du Mont Blanc: pewter artifacts, copper pans, and Swiss knives with steel blades that do everything but yodel (from 12.20 francs to 59 francs).

Bern has no airport shop but is blessed with arcades on its main shopping street. At Sturzenegger's on Marktgasse are the mini-care cotto blouses that Heidi wears in the movies, with eyelet-edged collars (29.50 francs) or sprays of embroidered flowers (32.50 francs).

More rustic tableware of woven linen can be found at the Swiss Heimatwerk (Kramgasse 61) alongside leather belts with fancy brass insets (36 francs) now worn with ski clothes or the overblouses sported by the Swiss Olympic athletes (67 francs).

Or consider hand-crafted wooden crèche figures (carved animals are 34 francs, people are 64), or wooden toys (a stable full of farm animals is 325 francs). Large wooden knitting needles (3 to 9 francs) are stuck in balls of bandspun wool from Erolène. Intricate cutout Alpine scenes known as *découpages* start at 220 francs for originals; small reproductions on Christmas cards are 2.80 francs.

The newest Christmas stamp features Heidi and a goat on a red background (35 centimes plus a 15-centime surcharge for a child welfare fund). Stick a few on the Christmas packages you mail at the post office on the Plaza level. There you will find string and paper, as well as boxes in five sizes, including some shaped for books or boutiques. There is also a beginner's stamp-collecting set with magnifying glass and tweezers for 23 francs.

Further down the street at Gerechtigkeitsgasse 73 (same street, new name), Vitrine concentrates on handcrafted glass and wood from modern designers. Here, a *découpage* is printed on the jacket of Hannes Meyer's Alpine Christmas tunes (27 francs).

All the folklore gives a bright impression of Alpine life, but for many of Heidi's and Peter's descendants, the outlook is darker. To help needy mountain folk — numbered at 16,270 last year — during the harsh winter months, the Secours Suisse d'Hiver asks for help. Donations should be sent to Postal Checking Account No. 80-8955, Clausiusstrasse 45, Zurich 8006 (tel: 01-252-3860). Your gift will go for clothes, bedding, sewing machines or food.

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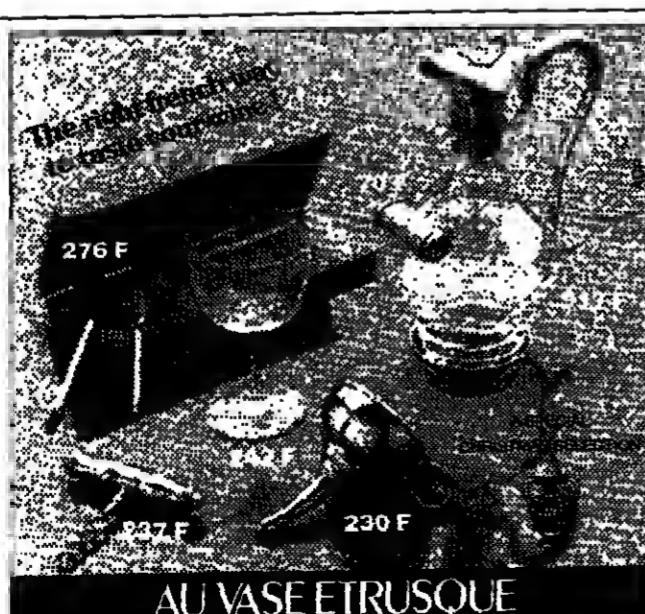
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## TRAVEL

# What's Doing in Singapore: High-Tech Tropical Island

by Barbara Crossette

**SINGAPORE** — Take an island not much bigger than Barbados. lace it with four-lane expressways and give it the beginning of a mid-Manhattan skyline. You're on your way to grasping the amazing place called Singapore: a tropical island with a high-tech look.

This country of 224 square miles, including adjacent islets, isn't a vacation resort. There's plenty of sun, and flowers, but there are not many beaches — Singaporeans prefer pools, anyway. This is a nation of banks and brokers, electronics, plastics and petrochemicals, and most foreign visitors seem to meet Singapore across a boardroom table. But tourists traveling to other Asian or South Pacific points also make stopovers in the republic, a practice encouraged by the good new hotels, which now have a glut of rooms.

Singapore has clean, crime-free streets and drinkable water, extreme efficiency, glossy shops selling the best of East and West, and countless restaurants and food centers drawing on the three great cuisines of its people — Chinese, Indian and Malay. The visitor gets a glimpse of what is billed as a model nation of the developing world. In this regulated society men are required to keep their hair short and fines are imposed for dropping a candy wrapper or crossing the street in the wrong place. Penalties for narcotics possession are draconian.

This city-state has scant natural wonders

and little visible history, especially now that development has razed many of the old immigrant neighborhoods. But there still are ethnic quarters for strolling and shopping. Old streets of Chinese "shop-houses" still radiate from the People's Park shopping and food center in Chinatown. Along Serangoon Road, Singapore's Little India continues to thrive, and the shops offer the silks and crafts of the subcontinent. Tamil, a language of southern India and Sri Lanka, is also one of the island's four recognized languages, although almost everyone in the Indian and other ethnic quarters speaks English. Malay and Mandarin Chinese complete the official quartet, and several Chinese dialects also Persist.

The Muslim Malays, who form about 14 percent of the population (which is about 76 percent Chinese and 6 percent Indian) lived historically in villages called kampongs, which have now all but disappeared in the rush of progress. One Muslim neighborhood remains, Arab Street, with its bazaar and mosques. Throughout Singapore, the Malays' colorful batik fabrics (most of which are produced in Indonesia) and their talent with food have given them a pervasive influence.

For a bit of the colonial British past, go toward the foot of the Cavenagh or Anderson bridges over the Singapore River and visit the Padang, the open recreational ground flanked by government offices and the Singapore Cricket Club. Nearby are the Victoria Theater, City Hall and Supreme Court buildings, which have a hint of

Singapore's countless restaurants draw on the three great cuisines of its people — Chinese, Indian and Malay.

about \$1 in the morning and 50 cents in the afternoon. Tipping is discouraged. Walking is possible, even pleasurable, since the sidewalks are kept clear and safe (except around the ubiquitous construction sites). But the sun can be punishing the year round, the humidity is high, and distances may be longer than expected.

The island seems to have more than its share of parks and botanical gardens — a respite appreciated by the traveler from Tokyo, Hong Kong or Bangkok. In the Botanic Gardens, where many early experiments in the hybridization of orchids took place, the orchid house displays hundreds of species as well as exhibits explaining the cycle of the plant. Tiger Balm Gardens, also known as Haw Par Villa, has been described as a Confucian Disneyland. It was built by the Aw brothers, who made a fortune with their all purpose camphor salve called Tiger Balm. In eight acres along the coast, the gardens are a whimsical and sometimes slightly zany tour through Chinese folklore, with a little updating to take into account things like motorbikes and Sumo wrestling. Admission is free.

In the Bukit Timah Nature Reserve, walking trails lead through the kind of vegetation that once covered Singapore — giant trees



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Sultan Mosque.

brought with ferns and creepers. The landscaped Zoological Gardens have more than 170 species of animals, and they are separated from the public, not by bars but by a moat. A Chinese Garden, Japanese Garden and Bird Park are found in the new town of Jurong. The town itself is worth a look as an example of the kind of total industrial and residential planning that has become the hallmark of Singapore. Singapore's parks and gardens are open daily and admission to many of them is free. There are admission charges for the zoo and bird park (about \$1.75, and 75 cents for children) and the Chinese and Japanese Gardens (about \$1, and 50 cents for children).

HOTEL food and drinks are about as expensive as in major Western cities — a high tax on alcohol contributes to this; so does the fact that the island imports virtually all its food. Cheaper food is abundant in the city's ethnic food centers. Hotels play a special role in that they — not restaurants — are where the fashionable drink and eat. They are the places to be seen, to pick up gossip and conclude deals. Most of the large hotels have two or three dining rooms, and a coffee shop or two, to cater to many tastes. Each restaurant usually sticks to one cuisine and does it well, rather than make an international potpourri of the menu. At the Shangri-La, for example, the Shang Palace specializes in Cantonese cuisine. At lunch there is a special dim sum menu that will cost about \$7.50 or \$8.00 a

person, including drinks. In the evening the restaurant features roast sucking pig and an authentic Peking duck — duck skins, spring onions and plum sauce folded into pancakes. Dinner will cost about \$15 or \$20 and up, depending on drinks. The Shangri-La also has an outdoor waterfall cafe serving local dishes like satay — kebabs of chicken, beef or pork in peanut sauce.

For European food, many Singaporeans recommend the Brasserie at the Marco Polo, where a French meal will cost upward of \$20 a head. For light meals, with a good selection of local desserts, the ground floor coffee lounge at the Dynasty serves a good meal for \$10 to \$20.

PERHAPS the nicest treat for visitors is a boat trip around the many offshore islands. The most developed of these is Sentosa, with its wax museum, musical fountain, recreational facilities, food court and monorail connecting them all.

Ferries make the trip to Sentosa from the World Trade Center every 15 minutes from 7:30 A.M. to 11 P.M. Monday through Thursday and until midnight on Friday through Sunday. A ticket costing just over \$2 takes you to the island and back and includes a monorail ride and admission to most of the attractions. (The price drops to less than \$1.50 after 5 P.M.)

Kusu Island, quiet and underdeveloped except for its small Taoist temple and Muslim shrine, is a speck of land with areas for picnicking or just watching the sea traffic in the busy harbor and straits. St. John's has some good beaches. Both are reachable by ferry from the World Trade Center at 10 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. on weekdays and every hour or so between 9 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. on Sunday and public holidays. Fares are about \$2.30, and \$1.15 for children, round trip. Other islands (Singapore has 57 altogether) can be visited by chartering a small boat at Jardine Steps, adjacent to the World Trade Center, or at Clifford Pier downtown. It costs about \$15 an hour to charter a small motor vessel.

Boat cruises aboard updated Chinese junks are the best way to appreciate Singa-

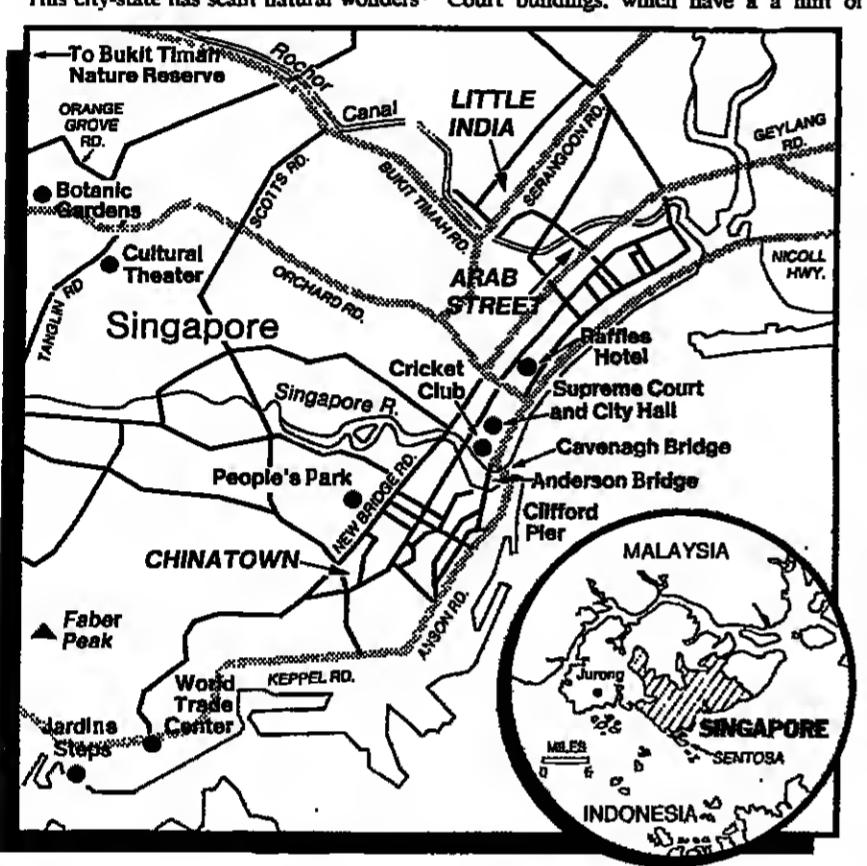
pore from the sea. Daytime cruises from Clifford Pier by either Eastwind (tel: 533-3432) or Waterlours (914-519) take about two or two and a half hours and cost about \$9.50. Both companies also offer evening dinner cruises.

DEVELOPERS have been on such a hotel-building binge over the last decade that Singaporeans find themselves literally bargaining for guests. The Singapore Tourist Promotion Board advises visitors to ask for discounts before booking rooms. It is frequently possible to have rates reduced by 20 percent, sometimes by 40 percent. With discounts, it should be possible to stay in one of the best hotels in the Orchard Road area for between \$70 and \$85 a night, depending on room and number of people. Moderately and lower priced hotels should charge between \$38 and \$65. All hotels add a 10 percent service charge and a 5 percent tax.

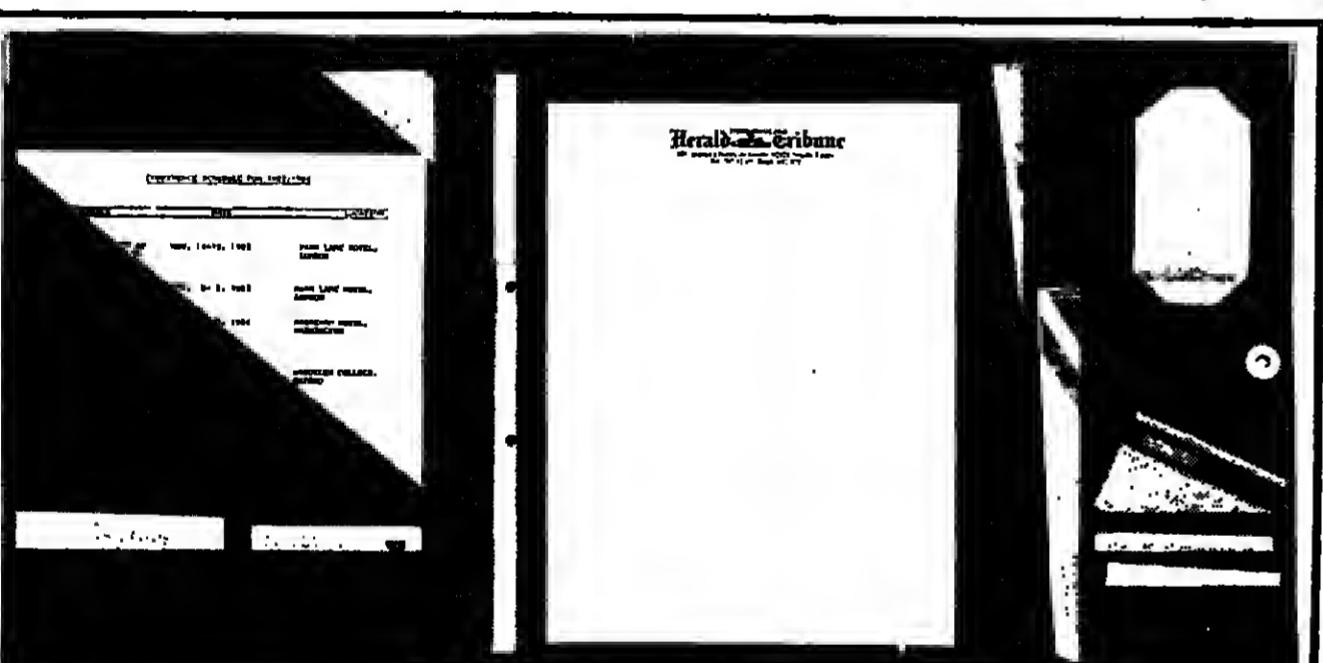
In the Orchard Road area (although actually on Orange Grove Road), the Shangri-La Hotel, one of the most expensive, is considered by many to be among the world's best hotels. It has two wings: one with flower-filled terraces around a courtyard rock garden, the other, a taller, less graceful block, offering views over the island. The hotel is isolated so both wings are quiet. Other top-grade hotels include the Marco Polo (very fashionable with the locals), the Mandarin and the gloriously whimsical Dynasty, built in the form of an opulent pagoda. On Scotts Road, the Goodwood Park, once a German club, has retained its period exterior while modernizing inside.

A word must be said about the Raffles, once Singapore's classic hotel. Unfortunately, time and the management have not done this old monarch justice. It has grown shabby, service is not good and the food, on several visits, was disappointing. Worst of all, the Raffles has become the package-tour center of Singapore, with noisy hordes barging through the corridors on their way to group meals or ritual drinks (the Singapore Sling was invented there).

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## A Celebration of the Oyster

by Craig Claiborne and Pierre Franey

**N**EW YORK — Once in a rare while, a book dedicated to food appears that is literary, informative and written with an enthusiasm bordering on the poetic. Of all the cookbooks we have scanned this year, only one comes close to that description. It is about what has been called "the most tender and delicate of seafoods," the oyster. "Oysters: A Culinary Celebration" (Parmaress Imprints, Orleans, Massachusetts) was written by Joan Reardon and Ruth Ebling.

Although the book has a fairly lavish number of well-written and admirable recipes, it is the prose that gives real joy. We learn that oysters have been a choice for feasting almost since the beginning of time.

The writers have a fine description of the oyster's flavor: "coppery, tony, sweet, clean, intense."

The recipes range from appetizers and soups to salads and main courses, and the appeal is broad and international. Presented here is a sampling from "Oysters: A Culinary Celebration."

### OYSTERS FORESTIERE (Stuffed oysters with mushrooms)

24 oysters, reserving the bottom halves of the shells

1/4 cup oyster liquor

5 tablespoons butter

4/4 finely chopped shallots

1/4 cup finely diced mushrooms

1 tablespoon flour

3/4 cup light or medium cream

2 tablespoons mustard, preferably Dijon

1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

2 egg yolks

Salt to taste, if desired

Freshly ground pepper to taste

3 drops Tabasco sauce

1 cup fine, fresh bread crumbs

2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley

1 Preheat the oven to 450 degrees Fahrenheit (232 centigrade).

2. Shuck the oysters, reserving one-quarter cup of liquor. Set the oysters, shells and liquor aside in separate bowls.

3. Heat four tablespoons of the butter in a saucepan and add the shallots and mushrooms. Cook, stirring, until the mushrooms give up their liquid. Cook until this liquid almost evaporates.

4. Sprinkle the shallot and mushroom mixture with the flour and stir to blend. Add the cream and cook, stirring with a wire whisk, until the mixture is thickened. Let simmer, stirring often, about three minutes. Stir in the mustard and Worcestershire sauce.

5. Put the egg yolks and the reserved quarter-cup of oyster liquor in a small mixing bowl and beat until blended. Add a little of the hot sauce made above and beat to blend. Add this to the remaining sauce, stirring rapidly with the whisk. Bring just to a simmer and remove from the heat. Add the salt, pepper and Tabasco. Stir and set aside.

6. Heat the remaining one tablespoon of butter in a small skillet and add the bread crumbs, stirring. Stir in the parsley and return the heat.

7. Arrange the oyster shells in one layer on a baking dish. Put one oyster in each shell.

8. Preheat the oven to 450 degrees (232 centigrade).

9. Prepare the oysters, reserving one-quarter cup of liquor, and set aside in separate bowls.

10. Prepare the pepper strips and set aside.

11. Blend the black beans with one tablespoon of the sherry. Let stand 15 minutes. Add the sugar, soy sauce, oyster sauce and reserved tablespoon of oyster liquor. Set aside.

12. Combine the lemon rind, ginger and garlic and set aside.

13. Blend the cornstarch with the remaining two tablespoons of sherry and set aside.

14. Heat the oil in a wok or skillet and add the pepper strips and the ginger mixture. Cook, stirring, about one minute.

15. Add the black-bean mixture and bring to a boil, stirring.

16. Add the oysters and cook briefly, just until heated through and the oysters begin to curl around the edges.

17. Add the cornstarch mixture and cook as briefly as possible, just until the sauce is around the oysters thickens. Spoon equal portions over individual servings of cooked oysters.

18. Remove and discard the lemon.

Pour the mixture into the container of a food processor or electric blender and blend as finely as possible. Return the soup to the wok.

19. Add the cream, salt and pepper and bring to a boil. Add the oysters and cook briefly until the soup is thoroughly heated and the oysters curl around the edges. Serve garnished with the carrot strips and sprigs of chives.

Yield: Four servings.

### OYSTER SAFFRON BISQUE

1 1/2 cups shucked oysters, well-drained

One-third cup oyster liquor

1/4 cup loosely packed thin carrot strips, each about 1 1/2 inches long

Salt to taste, if desired

4 tablespoons butter

1 cup finely chopped carrots

1 cup finely chopped celery

6 cups vegetable or chicken broth

1/2 cup diced potatoes

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh dill

1 cup heavy cream

Freshly ground pepper to taste

Dill sprigs for garnish

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## Compensation for Bhopal

First the air was filled with poison. Then it was filled with lawyers — lawyers from other places, descending in airplanes with the hope of turning the awful misery to advantage. Where are you? Mark Twain, Charles Dickens, when we need you? Who else could do justice to the kind of justice?" being pursued in this unhappy scene in the city, survivors of the chemical gas disaster mourn their dead. Hospital and health centers struggle to treat the injured and dying. The bodies of dead animals litter the streets. Mother Teresa visits the sick and mourns and counsels forgiveness. And in the midst of it all there are: rival teams of American lawyers competing for clients.

The best known of the would-be claimants' representatives is, of course, Melvin Belli. "You can't lose a case like this," Mr. Belli is quoted as saying. "The only question is the amount of damages." Mr. Belli hopes to collect \$15 billion for his clients in a class-action suit filed in West Virginia, where Union Carbide, which owned 51 percent of the Bhopal subsidiary corporation, runs a similar pesticide plant.

Mr. Belli will not be without competitors. The Bhopal city government has hired a team of liability lawyers to represent it in a Connecticut suit. That team, which has as its slogan "Get Union Carbide," says it has already signed up 7,000 plaintiffs and is going for 20,000. Another legal group, from Los Angeles, is organizing a suit to be filed in New York.

Nationally lawyers would prefer to sue in the jurisdiction where a disaster has occurred, since local juries are most sympathetic to the victim's plight and where judges are most familiar with applicable law. But suits adjudicated by U.S. courts — even though they would typically apply Indian law and standard in assigning blame and assessing individual damages — are expected to produce

much more lucrative punitive damage awards. If adjudication plays out according to the usual U.S. model, you can expect three results: Many victims will not be compensated for years. Awards will vary in quixotic fashion depending on who was represented by whom in what suit. And lawyers will end up with anywhere from 30 to 50 percent of the take.

Sizable punitive damages, which are not insurable, could bankrupt the parent and the subsidiary company's 13 other Indian plants, thus further delaying and limiting payments.

At best it will be hard to reach a fair settlement. The causes of the gas leakage may be hard to establish. There will be difficult questions about the appropriate basis for assessing damages and the relative responsibility of Union Carbide, the subsidiary and the Indian government — which required Union Carbide to produce its pesticides locally, set and monitored safety and environmental standards and owns the land on which squatters settled after the plant was built. Even determining victims and relatives will be hard, since many bodies were cremated before identification.

Viewing this situation as a case of "the great Union Carbide and the poor Indian," as Mr. Belli sees it, is not likely to be the best way either to achieve just treatment for the victims of this horrifying disaster or to reduce the dangers involved in the production and use of pesticides throughout the world. While acknowledging that the Bhopal chemical gas disaster will haunt his company for years, Union Carbide's chairman, Warren B. Anderson, expressed the hope this week that some way could be found to help victims and their families quickly. That — together with finding ways to avert similar disasters in the future — strikes us as the first order of business.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

## Upstairs to Arms Control

The big news in arms control is that Paul Nitze has moved from the fifth to the seventh floor of the State Department. That gives Secretary of State George Shultz easy access to some of the weapons experts and bureaucrats he needs to take charge of nuclear diplomacy — if only President Reagan will now guard the secretary's other floors.

Mr. Nitze is better placed upstairs because the department's elevators are slow but because the opponents of arms control, all but the department's elevators, are fast. For four years they have stymied every genuine effort at negotiation, outrunning the few officials, like Mr. Nitze, who thought Mr. Reagan sincerely wanted to reach accord with the Russians. Making Mr. Nitze a chief adviser to Mr. Shultz instead of just Euromissil negotiator was one good way for the president to point a new direction. A veteran of the bipartisan teams that managed national security affairs a generation ago, Mr. Nitze has had for improving rather than abandoning arms treaties the one good way for the president to point a new direction. A veteran of the "star wars" defense planning that threatens to incite a headlong new weapons competition. Only the president can settle for that level of uncertainty in agreements that he finds preferable to no agreement.

It remains to be seen whether he will stand guard over the Shultz-Nitze preparations and resolve the internal arguments in ways that support rather than frustrate the negotiations. But without these timely first steps, no fair test of Soviet attitudes was imaginable.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## Other Opinion

### Union Carbide "Unconvincing"

There is absolutely no way in which the parent company can absolve itself of even the moral, let alone legal, responsibility for the Bhopal disaster. Of course, faced as it is with multibillion-dollar lawsuits, its attempt to minimize its responsibility is understandable. But the Indian government, governments in other Third World countries and the American public (which is the real judge) must not be deceived by its legal jibbering into exonerating it. The attempt by the top management of Union Carbide to shift all the blame for the Bhopal tragedy onto the management of its Indian branch is childish, to say the least. And it is also totally unconvincing.

— The Times of Indio (Bombay).

**Hijackers Have Had Their Day**

The reprehensible method of plane hijackings was started by Palestinians and was initially aimed against Israel. It soon caught on and was directed against other Western nations. It has now rebounded on Arab nations.

— The Daily Telegraph (London).

### FROM OUR DEC. 14 PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

**1909: Suicide of England and Wales?** LONDON — The Registrar-General's report on the birthrate for 1908 is discussed. The Standard says: "The birth-rate in England and Wales is below that of the previous ten years, and is lower than that for 1907, which was the low on record. The decline in the past thirty years is startling." The Daily News remarks: "The decline in the marriage rate persists, at the age at which men and women marry continues to go up. Both these factors throw soft light on the decline in the birth-rate, for it would tend to keep the birth-rate down. But it would be a very rash thing to suggest that they are a complete explanation, just as it would be a rash thing to dispense with the falling birth-rate with a question-begging formula like 'race suicide.'"

**1934: Dress for Paris Policewomen** PARIS — Although Paris has not definitely formed its brigade of policewomen, the question of what they shall wear in pursuit of their duties has arisen to torment the city fathers. Frenchwomen have the reputation of being the best-dressed women, and, it is argued, Paris policewomen surely should be the best-dressed policewomen. But where to find the money to make them such is a problem which is causing no little worry to those preparing the municipal budget. So far it has been decided that the uniform shall include an overcoat of navy blue which will fall to the tops of serviceable black, high shoes, and that a felt hat to match shall be worn. The policewomen favor something more snappy, however — above all, a soft-voiced cap which may be worn at a rakish angle.

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AT&T	16723	184	18	18	-1
Philip Morris	16268	57	51	52	+1
IBM	1577	24	23	23	-1
Unisys	11277	119	117	117	-1
Coca-Cola	11059	27	27	27	+1
Crown Cos.	9714	34	34	34	+1
Xerox	7722	27	26	26	-1
ITT	7572	29	28	28	+1
Motorola	7524	41	42	42	+1
Chrysler	6877	35	35	35	+1

Dow Jones Averages					
Open	High	Low	Last	Chg	
Indus	11247	11252	11245	-4.27	
Trans.	12421	12432	12434	+0.06	
Utilities	471.95	472.41	472.42	-0.47	

NYSE Index					
HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG		
Composite	93.29	93.22	-0.37		
Industrial	90.70	90.70	-0.25		
Transport	88.50	88.50	-0.25		
Utilities	47.95	47.95	-0.07		
Finance	94.27	94.22	-0.05		

Thursday's NYSE Closing					
Open	High	Low	Last	Chg	
Index	11247	11252	11245	-4.27	
Trans.	12421	12432	12434	+0.06	
Utilities	471.95	472.41	472.42	-0.47	
Finance	94.27	94.22	94.20	-0.05	

AMEX Diaries					
Advanced	252				
Declined	262				
Total Issues	272				
New Highs	26				
New Lows	36				
Volume up	1,642,000				
Volume down	2,472,650				

NASDAQ Index					
CLOSE	CHG	WEEK	YEAR	Avg	
Composite	228.08	-0.39	229.07	225.25	
Industrials	226.27	-0.18	227.25	224.10	
Transport	227.25	+0.19	228.25	225.25	
Utilities	222.43	-0.02	223.51	220.25	
Telcos	223.51	-2.48	224.51	224.25	

AMEX West Actives					
DomeP	4574				
Heinz	2022				
TII	1849				
Wards	1688				
Telecom	1107				
ChristAA	7049				
Echols	762				
Rydon	739				
Vernil	1254				

## NYSE Off in Moderate Trading

United Press International

NEW YORK — The New York Stock Exchange closed lower Thursday after ignoring some economic figures showing that consumers were in a spending mood as the Christmas selling season got underway.

Stocks that received takeover bids or were rumored to be takeover candidates were in the spotlight. Oil issues and technology stocks

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 3.20 points Wednesday, lost another 6.29 to 1,168.84. Volume rose to 81.5 million shares from 78.7 million on Wednesday.

Before the market opened, the Commerce Department reported that U.S. retail sales for November jumped 1.8 percent, to a record \$10.3 billion. The increase, the strongest since April, was considered an encouraging sign that the economy can grow at a faster pace.

New figures from Detroit showed that domestic car sales were up nearly 20 percent in early December. General Motors, Ford, Chrysler and Honda all had gains.

John Burnett of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette said the retail sales figures held the bond market down and acted mainly to help the stocks of some retailers. He said investors were staying away from the stock market because of concern about the federal budget deficit and possible revisions in the tax structure. He said many appeared willing to wait for a definite upbeat to develop rather than try to jump in at a low point.

Another factor that may have deterred some investors, Mr. Burnett said, is the possibility of a sharp movement in stock prices on Dec. 21, the day some stock index futures and options ex-

## \$7.1-Billion Fall in M-1 Is Bigger Than Expected

United Press International

NEW YORK — The narrowest measure of the U.S. money supply, M-1, plunged to \$7.1 billion in the latest week, showing that the economy still is weaker than some had thought. Analysts said the drop could signal an imminent cut in the Federal Reserve's discount rate.

This latest week was about double the decline the market expected and shows much weaker M-1 growth than the Fed would like to see," said David M. Jones, economist at Ahrey G. Lanson & Co. "So it does raise the chance of a further Fed easing move, possibly a discount rate cut as soon as this Friday."

The M-1 measure includes currency in circulation, travelers checks and checking deposits

Blue-chip issues dropped sharply in a similar fashion Nov. 16.

Phillips Petroleum was the most active NYSE-listed issue, adding 1% to 53%. Phillips is fighting a takeover move by Mesa Partners. Mesa Petroleum was unchanged at 204.

AT&T was second on the active list, off 1% to 184. British Telecom ADRs were third, up 1%

Other oil issues declined on the continuing weakness in oil prices. Mobil dropped 1% to 264; Indiana Standard 1 to 54%; Exxon 1 to 43%; Atlantic Richfield 1 to 44; Sun Co. 1 to 48%; Texaco 1 to 33%; and Chevron 1 to 31.

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The DJI will fill the gap between hope and performance, escalating ever 2,000 with corollary upswings in secondary and emerging shares. Investors have been psychologically chilled by the air pockets the market's experiencing; too many confuse convulsions with a death rattle. Despite the drop from 1290, the bull is more dangerous than ever, let the ticker-tape novelties beware. Although segments of the market have undergone a miscarriage of expectations, we are accumulating oversold equities, shares discarded by man-depressive souls, by those who flout the adage: 'Buy into weakness, sell into strength'.

It is a matter of record that CGR advocated the purchase of BOEING 5, \$16, FORD around \$17, GENERAL MOTORS under \$40, SEARS at \$14 (before splits), and other seasoned stocks that were out of favor with the flock. More recently, our analysts recommended (during the oil glut) NIGHTHAWK RESOURCES, on the Vancouver Exchange, at \$2. "NHW" spewed to \$16, before a 4-1 split. The new shares are approximately \$4.30, as evidence indicates that the corporation's Texas oil and gas field is a monumental discovery, one that may spiral the shares higher as investment calibre buying intensifies. Our forthcoming letter reviews "Big Board" entities that may be coveted by predators, at premium prices; in addition, CGR recommends a low-priced Venture Capital stock with the potential to surge, emulating the success of NIGHTHAWK.

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7/10	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/11	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/12	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/13	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/14	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/15	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/16	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/17	298	292	Bryant	.15	52	278	76	76	76	76
7/18	298	292	Bryant	.15						

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**TECHNOLOGY****The Video Screen Coming To Your Car's Dashboard**

By MARSHALL SCHUON

New York Times Service

**C**OMPUTER technology in automobiles has come a long way, sparked by the need for fuel efficiency through precise engine control. Although those under-the-hood electronics have been of interest primarily to engineers, the microchip is now being pressed into service in new ways that are liable to excite even the occasional driver.

The new technology is centered on video screens implanted in dashboards and hooked to the computers that control the car's audio, temperature and trip-monitoring systems. Cary Wilson, an engineer for General Motors Corp., has rolling examples of what the electronic car of the future might look like.

They are Buick Rivieras; metallic rose outside, smelling of leather inside. Moving down the highway, they are well mannered and quiet, typical of America's idea of sporty luxury. But in the center of their dashboards, they have video screens — cathode ray tubes, or CRTs.

Touch the word "Warmer" on the screen and the car's interior becomes warmer. Call up the trip program, touch "ETA," and the car will estimate your time of arrival at a preprogrammed destination. The Buick is one of 100 that are being evaluated across the country, but the Buick Rogers dashboard belongs in an 1986 Riviera, where it will be standard equipment.

"There are going to be any number of things you can do with this," said Mr. Wilson, who is in charge of Buick's CRT program. "Satellite navigation is one of them, since the car will be able to keep track of itself on a video map. You'll be able to call up data banks and check your stocks, or ask what hotels are available in the city. You'll be able to call up maps and manuals, and you'll be able to program it with a directory for your cellular telephone."

It is all very impressive. If there is any potential problem with the new system, it is that the screen could be distracting to the motorist. It would be easy, for example, to find yourself crawling along, obstructing traffic, while playing with the new toy on the dashboard.

The CRT for the 1986 Buick incorporates a five-inch-square (12.7-centimeter-square) screen, surrounded by switches that summon the driver's desired program. That done, the controls are worked by touching the screen itself. "The switching uses two sheets of Mylar with inner conductive coatings," Mr. Wilson said. "The sheets are separated by space, and when you touch the screen you are deforming the upper surface and touching the inner one to close the circuit."

In the future, according to the Buick engineer, the division also hopes to expand the diagnostic capability of the system. "One advantage of centralized control," he said, "is that we know everything that is going on in the car electrically. With the CRT, we can interrogate the system, and it's a real wonder for the service guy, because it is going to allow him to do total diagnosis."

Like GM, Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. are experimenting with video dashboards. Ford has built 50 Lincoln Mark VII models called Comtecs, which are fully electronic with CRT dashboards. If the evaluation goes well, Ford says, as many as 3,000 will go on sale a year from now.

The undeniably gimmick value of the CRT display pales when compared with its actual benefit to drivers, according to Mr. Wilson. "As we have been adding features, we are getting so many controls on the dashboard that they are confusing," he said. "With the CRT, we are able to organize all of that, and the screen replaces as many as 80 or 90 control buttons."

Perhaps the most exciting idea, though, is satellite navigation. "This will be coming," Mr. Wilson said, "and it's very much the same as what aircraft are using. First, you bring up a map of the area that you are in. Then all you have to do is move a cursor to show the position of the car. After that, the car bounces a microwave beam off a satellite and the vehicle's control system triangulates to keep track of the car's position on the map."

Chrysler has developed a similar system. Using four satellites at a time, the car's computer reads its position in four dimensions — latitude, longitude, altitude above sea level and time — and pinpoints the vehicle's exact location on the television map in the driver's console.

**Currency Rates**

Late interbank rates on Dec. 13, excluding fees.

Official fixings for Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, Milan, Paris, New York rates of 4 P.M.

	Per	D.	U.S.	U.S.	Per	Per	S.F.	Per
	Euro.	U.S.	Euro.	U.S.	Euro.	U.S.	Euro.	U.S.
Amsterdam	5.486	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Brussels (U)	5.4862	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Frankfurt	5.4863	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
London (U)	5.4864	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Milan	5.4865	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
New York (C)	5.4865	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Paris	5.4867	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Tokyo	5.4873	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
Zurich	5.4879	6.4265	74.335	112.132	34.825	0.1823	5.411	134.54
1 C.U.	0.7222	0.4006	2.2579	6.8425	2.5773	2.5191	44.9854	124.82
1 D.G.	0.8957	0.2722	3.65497	9.3599	3.8553	3.4497	61.494	225.22

**Dollar Values**

Mr. James predicted that 1985 would continue to be a profitable time for scheduled U.S. carriers, with operating levels about the same as those this year.

That's only half the profit margin that an industry our size should have, but it will be a profitable year," he said. "This is based on an expectation that the economy will continue to show strength, particularly in the second half, and that fuel costs continue to come down."

Mr. James said in a later interview that the cost of jet fuel had declined 5 cents per gallon in 1984 over 1983 and was currently 83 cents per gallon domestically and 84 cents overall at home and abroad. He said he expected it to drop another 5 cents next year. The industry currently uses 11 billion gallons annually. Thus every drop of a penny means \$110 million in savings for the airlines.

The operating profits will surpass the industry's previous record of \$1.4 billion set in 1978. But significant interest expense, Mr. James said, will keep the industry from bettering the net income record of \$1.2 billion also set in 1978. In 1983, the airline industry had an operating profit of \$310 million and a net loss of \$188 million.

Passenger travel continued to show large gains during 1984, Mr. James said, following a pattern that began during 1983's summer months. He said cargo traffic was experiencing good growth.

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## BUSINESS ROUNDUP

## ITT Aide Suspended in Stock Probe

By Robert E. Dallas

*Los Angeles Times Service*

NEW YORK — ITT Corp. has suspended an executive vice president and fired two public relations managers amid charges that insiders may have leaked company secrets and tried to manipulate its stock price.

Edward J. Gerrity Jr., executive vice president in charge of government relations and a long-time lieutenant of ITT's retired chairman, Harold Geneen, was suspended last Thursday with pay, an ITT spokesman, James P. Gallagher, said Wednesday. He would not say under what circumstances Mr. Gerrity would be reinstated.

Also on Thursday, the conglomerate fired George Massau, director of public affairs and William McHale, manager of public relations and civic affairs for ITT's southeast region, Mr. Gallagher said.

In a related development, the Securities and Exchange Commission has agreed to a request from ITT to investigate potential violations of securities laws arising from trading in the company's stock, sources said. The ITT spokesman declined to elaborate on the allegations and the SEC would not confirm that an investigation is underway.

The 61-year-old Mr. Gerrity, a tough-talking veteran of ITT's fa-

bility expansion during the 1960s, is considered one of the "top three or four" officials in the conglomerate, according to a source close to the company. He was promoted to executive vice president in October.

But ITT officials believe that he disagrees with the way ITT, under Rand V. Araskog, has departed from the growth strategy espoused by Mr. Geneen. Mr. Araskog, a reserved West Point graduate, began to diversify company properties when he was named chairman and chief executive in 1979.

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"These guys really sandbagged me," he said. He called the charges "a load of prime juice."

Mr. Massau and Mr. McHale could not be reached for comment.

IT has been the subject of intense takeover speculation for more than six months. Last week, speculation was rekindled and the company's stock price rose as Mr. Jacobs disclosed that he may have bought as many as 4.1 million shares, or about 3 percent of ITT's total shares.

On the New York Stock Exchange Thursday, ITT closed at \$30, up 12.5 cents from Wednesday.

## Peat Marwick Sued by FDIC in Bank Collapse

*The Associated Press*

OKLAHOMA CITY — The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., in a \$130.7-million lawsuit, has charged the accounting firm of Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. with negligence and reckless behavior in failing to detect problems at the Penn Square Bank of Oklahoma City in the year prior to its collapse.

The Comptroller of the Currency closed the bank on July 5, 1982, after it became apparent that hundreds of millions of dollars in energy loans arranged by Penn Square were in near default.

The FDIC suit, filed Dec. 7 in U.S. District Court, charges that Peat Marwick's conduct was inadequate in virtually every area of its 1981 year-end audit of the bank.

"Had PMM properly reviewed the bank's credit files, it would have been abundantly aware that there were rampant and continuing violations of the bank's internal lending policies," The Daily Oklahoman reported. But the accounting firm has rejected the charges.

Peat Marwick has responded that it has not been asked to be a party to the suit.

Peat Marwick has denied that it has been asked to be a party to the suit.

## Stake in Hong Kong Bank Is Sold

By Dinah Lee

*International Herald Tribune*

HONG KONG — Schroders & Chartered, one of Hong Kong's leading merchant banks, has announced a change in shareholding effective Jan. 1.

The 40-percent holding of Chartered Bank, a unit of Standard Chartered Bank PLC of Britain, is to be acquired by the two remaining partners, London-based Schroders PLC and the Kadourie group in Hong Kong, Wednesday's announcement said. The price was not disclosed.

In addition, the merchant bank will be renamed Schroders Asia Limited, with 75 percent of its capital held by the Schroders group and 25 percent by Sir Elly Kadourie Continuation Ltd.

The managing director of Schroders & Chartered, H.W. Boland, called the decision "a harmonious one," and said it was the logical outcome of rapid growth in the Asian banking market and the decision a year ago by Chartered Bank to establish its own merchant bank in Hong Kong. Standard Chartered Asia Ltd.

Schroders' 1983 pretax profit was 20.2 million Hong Kong dollars (\$2.6 million) and total assets were 920.4 million dollars. Last year the bank also established a wholesale banking di-

vision and acquired a license as a deposit-taking company in Hong Kong.

Lord Kadourie of Kowloon, formerly Sir Lawrence Kadourie, will remain as the chairman of Schroders & Chartered after the change in ownership. Lord Kadourie is also chairman of one of Hong Kong's two utility companies, China Light & Power Co.

## Hongkong Land Issues Bills

Hongkong Land on Thursday reported signing a 200-million-dollar issue of bills of exchange, its second such issue. Last December, the company launched a 250-million-dollar facility.

The bills will be in denominations of 500,000 dollars and will have maturities of 30, 60 and 90 days.

Hong Kong's commercial-paper market has grown rapidly in the last two years with the issue of bills of exchange from leading local companies.

Earlier this week, the Hong Kong government publicly confirmed its decision to no longer require special permission from Hong Kong companies wanting to tap the market for funds through the issuance of commercial paper.

Commercial paper is a form of short-term finance for companies who issue discounted bills of ex-

change to financial institutions who then trade the bills as negotiable financial instruments in a secondary market.

The director of banking services for Schroders & Chartered, Douglas Ferguson, Wednesday called the government's move "very significant."

He said: "There's been a degree of uncertainty as to the legal status of commercial paper in Hong Kong, and interest created by the momentum of a developing market was dampened by the lack of legal clarification."

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## AMSTERDAM DEPOSITORY COMPANY N.V.

Amsterdam, 7th December, 1984.

## German Luxury Auto Firms Battle to Increase U.S. Sales

(Continued from Page 13)

71,000 this year, in 1983, Audi sold 47,936 cars in the United States.

Volkswagen suffered heavy losses in the last two years, largely because of sluggish sales at subsidiaries in North and South America. But the company makes money not only from increased sales, but also from the 10-percent rise in the dollar's value against the Deutsche mark since last January. The strong dollar translates into larger profits

## Goldsmith Seeks Zellerbach Stake

*The Associated Press*

SAN FRANCISCO — Crown Zellerbach executives say that a British financier intends to buy up to 25 percent of the company's common stock, a move the company's said was not in the best interests of its shareholders.

The San Francisco-based forest products company said Sir James Goldsmith plans the purchase, which would give him overwhelming control of the company. Crown Zellerbach has 27 million shares of stock outstanding, with no single shareholder owning more than 5 percent, according to the company's proxy statement.

On Thursday, Crown stock ended \$5.25 up at \$34 on the New York Stock Exchange. Sir James said he would buy the stock through his General Oriental Investments Ltd. in the British West Indies. The company is to buy 15 percent to 25 percent of Crown's stock, he said. At current prices that would fit the investment between \$115 million and \$190 million.

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## COMPANY NOTES

Datapoint Corp. notified its 8,500 employees that it had fired an investment banking firm to come up with ways to avoid a takeover by a New York investor, Asher Edelman, who announced Monday that he owns 8 percent of Datapoint stock and is considering seeking control of the San Antonio, Texas-based computer manufacturing company.

Traditionally, Daimler strategists have limited production of the luxury autos, creating a cult of scarcity in which Mercedes owners felt privileged to wait months for delivery. Many made the pilgrimage to Daimler headquarters in Stuttgart to be the first to drive their own cars from the assembly line.

Two years ago, Daimler shifted its strategy and decided to join the fray. It introduced its first compact, the 190, or "Baby Benz," and built a huge new factory in Bremen, West Germany. The company planned to raise sales to more than 500,000 units, from about 440,000 units in 1981.

Though the 190 has done remarkably well, some analysts have warned that in the long term, it could tarnish the exclusive Mercedes image.

"When you choose to run with the rest of the pack, you find the running can get pretty strenuous at times," said an industry consultant in Essen, West Germany, who asked not to be named.

Still, Daimler chose to pursue the path further this year. The company offered a range of seven new medium-sized models, for its 200 and 300 series.

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## BUSINESS PEOPLE

**Gadd Resigns as Chairman Of Montagu After Policy Rift**By Brenda Haggerty  
*International Herald Tribune*

LONDON — J. Staffan Gadd resigned late Wednesday evening as chairman of the London-based merchant bank Samuel Montagu & Co. and its parent, Samuel Montagu & Co. (Holdings) Ltd., following what he described as "differences over the development of policy."

Named to succeed Mr. Gadd was Sir Michael Palliser, Samuel Montagu's 62-year-old vice chairman. Mr. Gadd will continue as chairman of Samuel Montagu's Swedish associate firm, Montagu & Co. AB. In addition, Mr. Gadd will be available to the Montagu group in an advisory capacity.

Christopher J. Sheridan, a managing director of the bank since 1981, has been named chief executive of the bank.

Samuel Montagu (Holdings) is 60-percent owned by Midland Bank PLC and 40-percent owned by Aetna Life & Casualty Co. of Hartford, Connecticut.

Mr. Gadd said he has no immediate plans. "I hope I'll be around

doing what I'm good at doing," he said.

Royal Insurance PLC, Britain's largest property-casualty insurer, named Alan A. Horsford chief executive, succeeding John Howard, 61, who retires Dec. 31. Mr. Horsford currently is deputy chief general manager.

Euro-Latin-American Bank Ltd., a London-based consortium bank owned by 22 European and South American banks, has appointed Guido Hanselman chairman. He succeeds J.J. de Oloqui, who is director-general of Banca Serfin SNC of Mexico City. Mr. Hanselman, executive vice president and a member of the executive board of Union Bank of Switzerland, is succeeded as vice chairman of Euro-

-Latin-American Bank by Carlos Obregon, who is chairman of Banco Industrial de Venezuela CA.

Saudi American Bank, which is 60-percent owned by Saudi interests and 40-percent owned by Citibank, has been granted permission to open a branch in Istanbul. It will be the Riyadh-based bank's first branch outside Saudi Arabia. Iqbal

Hassan has been appointed head of corporate business at the branch in Turkey.

Air-India has named Neela Talcherkar manager, France, succeeding D. Gidwaney, who retired. Based to Paris, Mrs. Talcherkar will also have responsibility for the carrier's activities in Spain, Portugal, Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco. She previously was the airline's deputy manager for industry affairs, based in Bombay.

Union Bank of Finland has upgraded its London representative office to a branch and named Bo Harald general manager. Before moving to London in August as senior representative, he was head of the bank's international credits department in the Helsinki headquarters. The London is the bank's first outside of Finland.

Texaco Inc., the U.S. oil and gas company, said Gerald L. Kamansky has been named to the new post of vice president of its Middle East/Far East division. He will be responsible for overall financial planning and specialty assignments. Mr. Kamansky formerly was with Getty Oil Co.

Citibank has named Akil Elgen country corporate officer for Tunisia, Algeria and Libya, succeeding Leland Nelson, who has left the New York-based bank. Mr. Elgen moves to Tunis from Athens, where he was a credit instructor at Citibank's training center for the Middle East and Africa.

Rowntree Mackintosh, the British confectionery group, has named Jean Guerin its new chief executive of Rowntree Mackintosh, France; Nicholas Nightingale, company secretary and solicitor of Westminster Bank PLC following his appointment at Libra Bank. He currently is president of Canning House, the center for Latin American studies in London.

Honeywell Europe SA said Stephen Blum has been promoted from business-planning manager to the new post of director of business planning. Honeywell Europe, which has its headquarters in Brussels, is a unit of Honeywell Inc., a Minneapolis-based maker of information and control systems and aerospace and defense products. Honeywell Europe directs all of Honeywell's international controls activities in Europe, the Mediterranean, Africa and the Middle East.

**U.S. Companies Vow to Press Fight Against Apartheid**

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — About 120 American companies that operate in South Africa have agreed to press for broad changes in South African society, including the repeal of all apartheid laws and policies.

The agreement came Wednesday in the form of an addition to the Sullivan Principles, a code of conduct designed by the Reverend Leon H. Sullivan of Philadelphia and subscribed to by many American corporations doing business in South Africa. Previously the Sullivan Principles focused on company matters — such as equal pay for white and black workers — but the new provisions commit the companies to lobby for sweeping social change.

"This is the first time American companies have entered the political arena in South Africa and pushed for an end to apartheid,"

Mr. Sullivan said after Wednesday's meeting in New York. Others said some American companies had already taken some political positions, while organizations favoring divestiture criticized the additions as cosmetic and ineffective.

Mr. Sullivan said he would closely monitor whether the companies complied. He said compliance could come in the form of public statements and meetings with South African government officials.

The approval comes at a time when demonstrators in Washington and other American cities have begun a major campaign urging the U.S. government to apply pressure

and sanctions against South Africa, where the apartheid system of segregation preserves the power of the white minority.

The amplification calls for the companies to take these steps:

- Use influence and support the unrestricted rights of black businesses to locate in the urban areas of the nation.

- Influence other companies in South Africa to bring the standards of equal-rights principles.

- Support the freedom of mobility of black workers to seek employment opportunities wherever they exist, and make possible provisions for adequate housing for families of employees within the proximity of workers' employment.

- Support the ending of all apartheid laws.

**Nott to Be Head of Lazard Brothers***International Herald Tribune*

LONDON — Lazard Brothers & Co. announced Wednesday that Sir John Nott, a former British defense secretary, will succeed Ian Fraser as chairman and chief executive.

Mr. Fraser is to retire next August at the age of 62. Until then, he and Sir John, 52, are to serve as co-chairmen of the merchant bank, which earlier this year tightened its links with the Lazard banks in New York and Paris. Sir John joined Lazard last year as a managing director.

At the same time, the bank said it had recruited an American, Gilbert Scharf, 36, to develop a capital markets group. Mr. Scharf has served as a partner in Mendel, Scharf & Co., a Florida investment firm, and a managing director of Morgan Stanley & Co. Mr. Fraser said Mr. Scharf would concentrate on such areas as currency and interest-rate swaps and trading in zero-coupon bonds.

The bank also named as deputy chairmen Tom Manners, head of the corporate-finance department, and Peter Grant, who has been responsible for devising plans to reduce overcapacity in the British steel industry. Both men formerly were vice chairman. Verner Wylie remains a deputy chairman.

Marcus Agius, 38, a specialist in mergers and acquisitions, was named a managing director.

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## OBSERVER

### Anything for 'Audience'

By Russell Baker

**N**EW YORK — There was an entertaining dust-up among the news people at CBS last week after Phyllis George was made co-anchor of the network's "Morning News" with Bill Kurtis.

Miss George was previously in the sports division and, once upon a time, was a Miss America. Her lack of journalistic experience produced some criticism among the professionals at CBS News. Richard Salant, though now retired from the presidency of the news operation, said her appointment "demeans" the news division and suggested the "Morning News" be put in CBS's entertainment, record or toy division.

Whereupon Miss George's agent, Ed Hookstraten, spoke for the wisdom of the age in which we live. "The newscasters," he said, "sometimes have a tendency to take themselves a little too seriously and not completely understand what the broadcast medium is all about."

Audiences assemble basically to enjoy performances. When "the public" turns into "the audience," it tends to tire quickly of subjects like foreign policy, library fines and garbage collection, and demand theater. This explains why people who know how to create theater now occupy so much of our attention.

The hijacking story of the Kuwaiti airliner is the standard case. A band of desperados trained in the by-now familiar arts of hijack theather dramatize themselves and fulfill the news industry's incessant need for audience-grabbers for six days, and to what effect?

Two senseless murders — inevitably called "executions" in the melodramatic parlance that fetches audiences — may provide cautionary news for those planning in travel, but the event is otherwise entirely without meaning for a "public." Its only content is for an "audience," which craves theater.

While the hijack show was playing last week about 30 people were killed when kung fu devotees battled unemployed youngsters in Madagascar and in Sri Lanka about 100 people were reportedly killed by rampaging soldiers angry about plots to subdivide the country. These events were no less significant than the hijacking and far more deadly, yet they were staged without the slightest touch of theatrical know-how, and so bombed with the audience.

Hookstraten knows what's happened. Today all the world's a stage, the public's only an audience, and the journalist is like the guy who used to stand outside tents working his mouth to draw a crowd.

New York Times Service

## 'WarGames' Outcast Clicks With 'Beverly Hills Cop'

By Paul Attanasio  
*Washington Post Service*

**N**EW YORK — Film studios carry on like nervous mothers, constantly taking the temperature of their writers, actors and directors — and maybe the "hottest" director in Hollywood today is 33-year-old Marty Brest, Brest's own comedy, "Beverly Hills Cop," stars Eddie Murphy as a Detroit detective investigating a crime in filmland. "Cop" set a blistering pace for the Christmas movie season as it took in \$15.2 million on its debut weekend.

"Why don't we put the 'Do Not Disturb' sign on the door? I saw that in a Cary Grant movie once," Brest jokes. A slight, bespectacled elf grinning through a stubby beard beneath hair increasingly sparse, a smart sleek in a tweed jacket and sneakers, Brest talks and swears animatedly.

But to find the skepticism underlying Brest's pleasure in his success, you have to know his career: how a kid from the Bronx, the son of eastern European immigrants, came in Hollywood and, at the age of 28, directed "Going in Style," Warner Brothers' big Christmas release in 1979. And how the same wunderkind, three years later, was fired from "WarGames" after three weeks of shooting — the kind of black mark that can leave a director with a career in beer commercials.

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him I don't think the film was very exciting that it was shooting. Frankly, Marty, I think the film is flat. Do you want a helicopter or something? Is there anything we can do?" He said, "When you see it cut, you'll see it's very exciting." And I said, "Well, Marty, that'll be \$14 million later."

Brest was fired by Paula Weinstein, who, three weeks later, was fired herself; and Lisa Weinstein, who had nurtured the project for three years, quit in protest: "I had survived the original writers; I didn't feel like surviving Marty."

Brest began reading scripts again almost immediately, but he became something of a recluse. "I didn't want to go to a Hollywood event," Brest says, "because being fired off of a movie is tantamount to having AIDS at a Hollywood party."

When Don Simpson left as Paramount's head of production to become an independent producer in tandem with Jerry Bruckheimer, he brought along "Beverly Hills Cop," a story dreamed up by Simpson and Paramount president Michael Eisner, the movie had been in development for almost seven years by the time they turned to Brest.

Marty Brest's interest in film

began at Stuyvesant High School,

one of New York's special schools for students with high test scores.

His first love was photography; his brother-in-law worked for a radio station. "I thought, 'Radio's great too. How can I combine these two professions?'" And somehow, film just seemed like the logical conclusion."

In 1969, Brest enrolled in New York University to study film. "People had to be outcasts to be in film then," remembers Jacques Haukin, a cinematographer who became Brest's partner on his two student films. "You had to be nuts. To some people it was like doing nothing. It was like basket-weaving or something."

"All the time I was in college," Brest says, "my father was trying to get me to become an apprentice in the sheetmetal workers' union. Local 28. He said, 'Journeyman makes \$400 a week now and it's steady.' And I said, 'Papa, I wanna be a director. GAAAAAAAHTA DANCE!'" he sings.

While a student, Brest directed "Hot Dogs for Gaughin," an anarchist comedy about a down-and-out photographer who blows up the Statue of Liberty — if he's on the spot to capture the disaster on film, but decided against it, according to court. Beckett's attorney, Martin Garbus, said Beckett believes the version by the highly acclaimed theater company "totally distorts" his play, by changing the music, adding music and casting black actors in key roles. Officials of the theater company defend their unusual interpretation, noting that none of Beckett's words were changed. The agreement came just hours before the 1986 play, a bleak picture of the relationship between a master and servant, opened to a packed house at the start of an eight-week run at Harvard's Loeb Drama Center in Cambridge. Jan Geddert, a spokeswoman for the ART, said the theater company's version, directed by John Alatis, includes an overture and incidental music by the contemporary composer Philip Glass. Under the agreement, the theater company will include a copy of Beckett's original stage directions and a statement from the playwright saying he dislikes the ART's production, Garbus said.

## PEOPLE

Elizabeth Taylor Says Yes to 8th Marriage

Elizabeth Taylor accepted a proposal to be married for the eighth time, receiving a huge sapphire engagement ring from film executive Dennis Stein. Taylor and Stein have been dating for about a month and she said yes to his proposal Wednesday night, according to Stein who works for the Technicolor company. Both are 52. A date for the wedding was not announced.

The Nobel Prize-winning playwright Samuel Beckett agreed Wednesday to permit a subway setting for the American Repertory Theater's production of his play "Endgame" rather than the bare room called for in the text. Beckett, 78, who lives in Paris, had threatened suit to block the play from opening, but decided against it, according to court. Beckett's attorney, Martin Garbus, said Beckett believes the version by the highly acclaimed theater company "totally distorts" his play, by changing the music, adding music and casting black actors in key roles. Officials of the theater company defend their unusual interpretation, noting that none of Beckett's words were changed. The agreement came just hours before the 1986 play, a bleak picture of the relationship between a master and servant, opened to a packed house at the start of an eight-week run at Harvard's Loeb Drama Center in Cambridge. Jan Geddert, a spokeswoman for the ART, said the theater company's version, directed by John Alatis, includes an overture and incidental music by the contemporary composer Philip Glass. Under the agreement, the theater company will include a copy of Beckett's original stage directions and a statement from the playwright saying he dislikes the ART's production, Garbus said.

Richard Strauss' last composition, an unpublished song written as a gift to a Czech opera singer, hroughbi \$60,500 at auction Wednesday. "Mahlen" was written by the composer for soprano Maria Jitrova shortly before his death in 1949. It was sold by Jitrova's estate at Sotheby's in New York to an unidentified telephone bidder, who was described as a private collector.

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Replacing Stallone with Murphy involved retouching the script for the new star; much of the rewriting took place each day as the film was shot, with Murphy and the rest of the cast frequently improvising.

The result was "Going in Style," a macabre farce about three elderly men who are so bored and impoverished they decide to rob a bank. Brest, 28 at the time, was called on to direct Art Carney, Lee Strasberg and George Burns. "George called me on the phone," Shapiro remembers, "and said, 'When you said he was young, I didn't think you meant that young. I've got ties older than him.' Burns remembers that the three of them got together after the first day of shooting and decided the kid was okay.

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